STAND. COM. REP. NO. 486

Honolulu, Hawaii

Fc - 16, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 403

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 403 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EAST KAUAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the operation and maintenance of the East Kauai Irrigation System.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Agribusiness Development Corporation, the County of Kauai Office of Economic Development, the County of Kauai Department of Water, the Kauai County Farm Bureau, the Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, the Hawaii Agriculture Research Center, the East Kauai Water Users' Cooperative, and the Saiva Siddhanta Church.

Your Committee finds that after Amfac Sugar Company ceased operation of its ditch and reservoir systems on Kauai, the East Kauai Water Users' Cooperative obtained the necessary permits to continue operation of the systems as the East Kauai Irrigation System. The Cooperative, however, is facing a critical funding shortfall because the user fees charged by the Cooperative are insufficient to pay for the operating and maintenance expenses of the System.

This measure would provide the necessary funds to continue the operation and maintenance of the East Kauai Irrigation System.

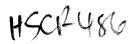
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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 403 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Agriculture,

CLIFT TSUJI, Chai

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-fourth Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 403	Date:	Date: February 9, 2007			
Committee Referral:					
AGR, FIN	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ Pass, with amendments				
☐ Hold	 Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration 				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. TSUJI, Clift (C)	/		•		
2. BROWER, Tom (VC)					
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.					
4. CHANG, Jerry L.	_				
5. HANOHANO, Faye P.	/				
6. HERKES, Robert N.					
7. MANAHAN, Joey	/				
8. WAKAI, Glenn					
9. YAMANE, Ryan I.					
10. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.			P44441744444444444444444444444444444444		
11. CHING, Corinne W.L.					
12. MEYER, Colleen Rose					
TOTAL	9	$ \mathcal{D} $	①	3	
The recommendation is: Adopted		Ψ	I		
☐ Not Adopted					
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.					
Committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
The Chair 5 of designed 5 organization					
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