STAND. COM. REP. NO. 30-8

Honolulu, Hawaii

## APR 01 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2294

H.D. 2 S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2010 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2294, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish fines for the failure to pay, bill, or remit the inspection, quarantine, and eradication fee.

Additionally, this measure exempts liquid bulk freight, cement bulk freight, coal bulk freight, and aggregate bulk freight from the fee.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from AES Hawaii, Inc., Grace Pacific Corporation, Hawaiian Cement, Monsanto Hawaii, The Nature Conservancy, and one concerned individual. The written comments may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that the fines established by this measure will ensure payment of the inspection, quarantine, and eradication service fee to ultimately fund the operation of pest inspection, quarantine, eradication, biosecurity, and monitoring programs. The fee will also support the operation of related facilities, as well as the execution of emergency remedial measures when invasive pests are detected in the course of inspection and quarantine activities. Your Committee also finds

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that exempting liquid bulk freight, cement bulk freight, coal bulk freight, and aggregate bulk freight from the fee is consistent with the provisions of the federal Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000.

Your Committee amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2055, to facilitate further discussion on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2294, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2294, H.D. 2, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

## Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.				
If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is:				
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)				
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				
FUKUNAGA, Carol				
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				
HEE, Clayton				
HOOSER, Gary L.				
KIDANI, Michelle N.				
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				
TOKUDA, Jill N. HEMMINGS, Fred				
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Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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