

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2729
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 2729 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to amend the definition of agricultural commodity to include cattle, horses, sheep, goats, pigs, bison, and llama, their carcasses and meat, for purposes of grading, labeling, and packaging requirements for sale of those items.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; and Maui Cattlemen's Association testified in support of this bill. The Department of Agriculture (DOA) supported this measure with amendments. Animal Rights Hawaii provided comments.

Your Committee notes that in its testimony, DOA suggested the inclusion of milk and eggs that have been produced in the state.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this bill to:

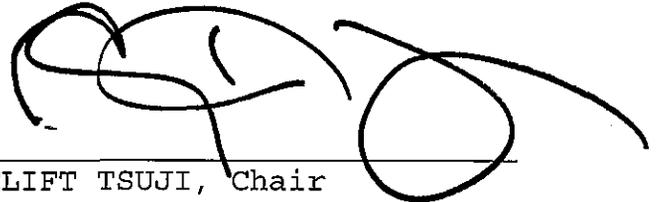
(1) Include milk, poultry carcasses, and chicken eggs that have been produced in the state in the amended definition of agricultural commodity; and



(2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2729, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2729, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2729	Committee Referral: AGR, FIN	Date: 2/10/10		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TSUJI, Clift (C)	✓			
2. WOOLEY, Jessica (VC)	✓			
3. BERG, Lyla B.				✓
4. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
5. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
6. MANAHAN, Joey				✓
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
8. TAKAI, K. Mark				✓
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				✓
10. WAKAI, Glenn				✓
11. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
TOTAL (11)	6	0	0	5
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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