STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2338

Honolulu, Hawaii

## FEB 2 6 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2527 S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2527 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the definition of "agricultural commodity" to include livestock of the bovine, equine, swine, sheep, or goat species and the carcasses or meat of those species.

Testimony in support of the measure was submitted by one state agency, five organizations, and one individual. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Presently, producers of agricultural products included in the definition of "agricultural commodity" enjoy an exemption from the general excise tax for intra-state shipping. Your Committee finds that this measure will fairly permit livestock producers to also take advantage of the agricultural commodity exemption from the general excise tax for intra-state shipping.

Your Committee has amended this measure by including in the definition of "agricultural commodity" milk, eggs, and poultry.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the



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intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2527, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2527, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs,

CLAYTON HEE, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

## Record of Votes Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs WTL

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| The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.<br>If so, then the previous decision was to:           |  |              |          |              |                                |
| The Recommendation is:   |  |              |          |              |                                |
| Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit<br>2312 2311 2310 2313   |  |              |          |              |                                |
| Members  |  | Aye          | Aye (WR) | Nay          | Excused                        |
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| BUNDA, Robert  |  |              |          |              |                                |
| FUKUNAGA, Carol  |  | $\checkmark$ |          |              |                                |
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| Chair's or Designee's Signature:   |  |              |          |              |                                |
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