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TESTIMONY

HB 2292 RELATING TO FARM PRODUCE

Chair Tsuji and Members of the Committee:

Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation on behalf of our farmer and ranch families and organizations support HB 2292 establishing a farm produce dealers special fund.

The industry has recognized the dire state of the State Budget. We believe that an evolution to a true fee for services structure will help ensure protection of public interests while continuing business in a timely manner. This measure provides a means to move in this direction.

HFBF strongly requests your support of this measure along with timely passage of rules and regulations so the measure can be implemented as soon as possible. If there are any questions, please contact Luella Costales at 848 2074. Thank you

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HEARING BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

TESTIMONY ON HB 2292 RELATING TO THE FARM PRODUCE.

Chair Tsuji and committee members:

My name is Alan Takemoto and I am the Community Affairs Manager for Monsanto.

We support HB 2292 which establishes a farm produce dealers special fund. Requires fees for the certification of farm produce dealers and other moneys to be deposited into the special fund. Requires expenditures from the special fund to be made fro the farm produce dealers licensure program.

As part of the farming community, we want to support every effort to making the Hawaii Department of Agriculture capable of meeting the needs of all farmers and related organizations. We hope that by establishing a special fund specifically for the services rendered, the HDOA can provide the necessary services that are necessary to promote and expand Hawaii's agricultural industry.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.