STAND. COM. REP. NO. 755 -12

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2 , 2012

RE: H.B. No. 280 H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 280, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to repeal the requirement that all Hawaii-grown green coffee beans be inspected and certified by the Department of Agriculture for grade and origin and the related prohibition on shipping uninspected green coffee beans outside the area of geographic origin.

The Kona Coffee Council; Hawaii Coffee Company; Hawaii Coffee Association; Rural Kona Mill and Museum; Greenwell Farms, Inc.; Hawaii Coffee Growers Association; Dole Food Company; Captain Cook Coffee Company; McDonalds of Hawaii; and numerous concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Kona Coffee Farmers Association and many concerned individuals testified in opposition to this measure. The Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, and Ka'u Farm Bureau provided comments on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 280, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: Committee HB 280 HD1 AGR	e Referral:	Dates	2/2	4/12
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	<i>\\\</i>			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)			·-	
3. CHOY, Isaac W.	V			
4. CULLEN, Ty				
5. GIUGNI, Heather	V			
6. HAR, Sharon E.				
7. HASHEM, Mark J.	<u></u>			
8. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
9. JORDAN, Jo				
10. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.				
11. LEE, Chris				
12. MORIKAWA, Dee				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
15. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.				
16. RIVIERE, Gil	_//			
17. WARD, Gene				
TOTAL (17)	16	0	0	/
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Mail Blee				
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