

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2351  
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2012  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.B.  
No. 2351 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Agriculture to establish and maintain an online system of licensure for commission merchants, dealers, brokers, agents, processors, and retail merchants of farm products; and
- (2) Establish the Department of Agriculture operations special fund.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture and the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that this measure will allow the Department of Agriculture to streamline and improve procedures for licensure for commission merchants, dealers, brokers, agents, processors, and retail merchants of farm products. However, your Committee does recognize concerns that the cost to maintain an online licensure system is unknown at this time.



As such, your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 4, 2050, to ensure further discussion.

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 S.B. No. 2351, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2351, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

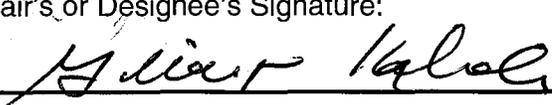


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Agriculture**  
**AGL**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 2351</b>	Committee Referral: <b>AGL, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2/29/12</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				✓
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile				✓
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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