

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 17, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 1345

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Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 1345 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure that the East Kauai Water Users' Cooperative (Cooperative) has a steady and dependable supply of water by appropriating funds, as a grant, for the operation, repair, maintenance, and improvement of the Cooperative's irrigation systems.

The Department of Agriculture, East Kauai Water Users' Cooperative, Hawaii Farm Bureau, Kauai County Farm Bureau, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Hawaii Farmers Union United, Kalepa Coalition, Saiva Siddhanta Church, HARC, and a concerned individual supported this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by deleting the requirement that the appropriation for the Cooperative's irrigation systems be in the form of a grant pursuant to Chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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. 1345, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second

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Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1345, 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

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