

Honolulu, Hawaii February 10, 2015

• RE: H.B. No. 773

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. 773 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY FOOD FORESTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide additional sources of low- or no-cost food to residents, while also using developed land for community sustainability purposes by establishing and funding a Community Food Forest Program in the Department of Land and Natural Resources. The Program will allow community members to plant and harvest edible plants on public land.

The Hawaii Farmers Union United supported this bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources commented on this measure.

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. 773 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Water & Land.



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

Chai CLIFT TSUJ



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.:CommitteeHB 773AG	e Referral: R, WAL,	, FJN Date:	2/6/2	015
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)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TSUJI, Clift (C)				
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2. ONISHI, Richard H.K. (VC)				
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5. CHOY, Isaac W.				
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7. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.			<u>na na popi</u> na interaktan da kitat tadat kutat	
8. KONG, Sam Satoru				
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9. OHNO, Takashi				
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10. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
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11. WOODSON, Justin H.				
12. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani				
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13. WARD, Gene				Α.
TOTAL (13)	9			4
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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