STAND. COM. REP. NO. 676

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6

, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 853

H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 853, 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:

- (1) Implement the recommendation of the Hawaii Agriculture Workforce Advisory Board to establish the K-12 Agriculture Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative (Initiative) within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to conduct training sessions on all islands for teachers and school administrators regarding agricultural self-sufficiency; and
- (2) Appropriate funds for the development, operation, and implementation of the Initiative.

The Department of Agriculture, University of Hawaii at Manoa College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Primary Care Association, ILWU Local 142, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, and The National FFA Organization supported this measure. The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and Department of Education commented 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. 853, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA VIKE, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-eighth Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 853, HD1	Committee Referral: AGR, EDN, FIN	D	Pate: 2/26/15	
☐ 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. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
5. DECOITE, Lynn				
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling				
7. JORDAN, Jo				
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett				
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
10. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
12. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
13. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.		T. 70.7 MT. 1		
14. POUHA, Feki				
15. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (15)	15			
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, committee acronym(s) One Adopted did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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