STAND. COM. REP. NO. 972

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1544 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2017 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 1544 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOCAL FOOD PRODUCTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to add increasing the production of food intended for human consumption that is produced and sold in the State to the list of acts that the Department of Agriculture (DOA) must undertake as part of its statutorily-established responsibility of administering a program of agricultural planning and development.

Hawaii Farmers Union United; We Are One, Inc.; The Maritime Group, LLC, and numerous individuals testified in support of this measure. DOA commented on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 31, 2150, to facilitate further discussion 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. 1544, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1544, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

RICHARD P. CREAGAN, Chair

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: HB1544	Committee Referral:	V Date	2-10-1	7
θ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: $\theta$ Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) $\theta$ Hold $\theta$ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CREAGAN, Richard P. (C)	<b>✓</b>			
2. DeCOITE, Lynn (VC)				
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3. GATES, Cedric Asuega				
4. ING, Kaniela				
4. HVO, Kumen				
5. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.				
6. TAKAYAMA, Gregg		and the state of t	the and the second s	
7. THIELEN, Cynthia	<b>✓</b>			
TOTAL (7)	7			
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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