Honolulu, Hawaii

February 9 , 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2099

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 2099 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support agricultural technology to increase Hawaii food security by requiring and funding the Department of Agriculture to conduct a study on the feasibility of authorizing the Department to establish and designate ag-tech zones in the residential and commercial areas within the City and County of Honolulu.

The Department of Agriculture, College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources of the University of Hawaii, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and a concerned individual supported this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying in its purpose section that the rat lungworm is a disease-causing nematode that may result in longterm disability;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2150; and

(3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for consistency, clarity, and style.

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. 2099, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2099, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Economic Development & Business.

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

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

| Bill/Resolution No.: | Committee Referral: | Date: 2-7-18 | |
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| HB 2099 | AGR, EDB, FIN | 2-1-10 | |
| ☐ 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. CREAGAN, Richard P. (C) | | | |
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| 2. DeCOITE, Lynn (VC) | | | |
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| 3. GATES, Cedric Asuega | | | A |
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| 4. ING, Kaniela | | | |
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| 5. SAY, Calvin K.Y. | | | |
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| 6. TAKAYAMA, Gregg | | | |
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| 7. THIELEN, Cynthia | | | <u> </u> |
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| The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted | | | |
| If joint referral, did not support recommendation. | | | |
| committee acronym(s) | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: | | | |
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