STAND. COM. REP. NO. 410 -18

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2462 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. 2462 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAX EXEMPTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make farming more affordable by providing an exemption from the general excise tax on the gross sale proceeds for qualifying farm equipment and machinery; provided that the producer's gross income does not exceed \$200,000.

The Department of Agriculture, a Council Member of the Maui County Council, Hawai'i Farm Bureau, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Maui County Farm Bureau, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc., Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association, and many concerned individuals supported this measure. A concerned individual opposed this measure. The Department of Taxation and Tax Foundation of Hawaii provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2150.

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. 2462, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2462, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

RICHARD P. CREAGAN. Chair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature



## Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2462	Committee Referral:  AGR, FII	V	Pate: 2 -7-1	8
☐ 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)	✓ ✓			
2. DeCOITE, Lynn (VC)		(MXUWES 81 91 1 1 1 1 1 4 1		
3. GATES, Cedric Asuega				
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4. ING, Kaniela				
5. SAY, Calvin K.Y.				
J. DAT, Calvin K.1.				
6. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
7. THIELEN, Cynthia			Set Co. Loudoverská i Kristianský dybr katal	
TOTAL (7)	5	0	0	2
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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