STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2312** 

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 5 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2387

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Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Education and Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2387 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the Department of Education to establish a farm to school program;
- (2) Require the farm to school coordinator in the Department of Agriculture to work in collaboration with the Department of Education on any farm to school program; and
- (3) Establish and appropriate funds for two full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) farm to school staff positions within the Department of Education.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education; Department of Health; Department of Agriculture; State Public Charter School Commission; Hawaii State Teachers Association; Hawaii Farm Bureau; American Heart Association; Malai: The Culinary Garden of Waimea Middle School; Blue Zones Project; Hawaii Public Health Institute; Kökua Hawaii

Foundation; Local Food Coalition; Kamehameha Schools; Hawai'i Pacific Health; O'ahu Farm to School Network; Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities for the Democratic Party of Hawaii; Malama Kona, Surfrider Foundation; Hawaii Farmers Union United; We Are One, Inc.; Hawaii Afterschool Alliance; Hawai'i Primary Care Association; Mālama Kaua'i; Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu; Maui School Garden Network; Ulupono Initiative; Ka Ohana O Na Pua; and numerous individuals.

Your Committees find that farm to school programs benefit students in multiple ways, including providing students with agricultural education and increasing opportunities for place-based experiential learning, physical activity, and active participation in the school meal program. Since the Hawaii farm to school program was established pursuant to Act 218, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015, the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, Department of Agriculture, University of Hawaii, and community partners, established pilot programs using strategic procurement adjustments to increase the supply of locally-grown and raised foods in the school meal program. The continued growth and sustainability of the Hawaii farm to school program will require on-going coordination between the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Education.

As this measure moves through the legislative process, your Committees request that your Committee on Ways and Means further consider the inclusion of charter schools by the Department of Education in the farm to school program.

Your Committees have amended this measure by requiring, rather than authorizing, the Department of Education to establish a farm to school program.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Agriculture and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2387, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2387, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Education and Agriculture and Environment,

MIKE GABBARD, Chair

MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair

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| SB 2387 EDU/AEN, WAM F63 7 2018  The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to: |                           |                                       |         |        |         |  |  |  |
| The Recommendation is:  |                           |                                       |         |        |         |  |  |  |
| Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313   |                           |                                       |         |        |         |  |  |  |
| Members   |                           | Aye                                   | Aye (WF | R) Nay | Excused |  |  |  |
| KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)   |                           |                                       |         |        |         |  |  |  |
| KAHELE, Kaialiʻi (VC)   |                           |                                       |         |        |         |  |  |  |
| DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.   |                           |                                       |         |        |         |  |  |  |
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| KIM, Donna Mercado  |                           |                                       |         |        |         |  |  |  |
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| SB 2387  | EDU/AEN, WAM   |              |         | 2/7/18     |                              |  |  |  |
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| The Recommendation is:   |  |              |         |            |                              |  |  |  |
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| GABBARD, Mike (C)  |  | X            |         |            |                              |  |  |  |
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| NISHIHARA, Clarence K.   |  | ` <b>X</b>   |         |            |                              |  |  |  |
| RHOADS, Karl   |  |              |         |            | X                            |  |  |  |
| RUDERMAN, Russell E.   |  |              |         |            | ×                            |  |  |  |
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