STAND. COM. REP. NO. 27 -18

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 20 , 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2573 S.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 Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 2573, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NUTRIENT CYCLING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage nutrient cycling that fosters agricultural production by building soil health and fertility by:

- (1) Establishing a Regional Nutrient Cycling Pilot Program (Pilot Program) on the island of Maui administered by the Department of Agriculture (DOA);
- (2) Requiring the Board of Agriculture to establish a panel of agricultural and nutrient cycling experts to advise DOA regarding the Pilot Program;
- (3) Requiring DOA to submit a report on the operational and economic efficacy of the Pilot Program to the Legislature prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2020; and
- (4) Appropriating funds for the Pilot Program.

DOA, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and two concerned individuals supported this measure. The Hawai'i Farm Bureau commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2573, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection,

CHRIS LEE, Chair

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

SB 2573, SD1	Committee Referral:  EEP, FIN	Date:	3-13-	18
☐ 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)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LEE, Chris (C)				
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)				
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
J. COLDEN, Ty J.K.				
4. KONG, Sam Satoru				
5. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				
6 TODD Chuis				
6. TODD, Chris				
7. YAMANE, Ryan I.				
8. MCDERMOTT, Bob				
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TOTAL (8)	7	0	0	
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Muscle E. Fowen				
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