STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 , 2021

RE: H.B. No. 1271

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1271 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Repeal the Agribusiness Development Corporation; and
- (2) Transfer all lands held by the Agribusiness Development Corporation and all of the Agribusiness Development Corporation's staff, except for the Executive Director, to the Department of Agriculture.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Kauai Climate Action Coalition; Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; Farm to Keiki; Ka Ohana O Na Pua; Pele Lani Farm LLC; We are One, Inc; Food + Policy Internship; Na Kupuna Moku O Keawe; Hawai'i SEED; Pesticide Action Network; Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action; Our Revolution Hawaii; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Agriculture; Agribusiness Development Corporation; Larry Jefts Farms, LLC; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative; Hawaii Crop Improvement Association; and two individuals. Your Committee

received comments on this measure from the Kalepa Koalition and Pono Hawai'i Initiative.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1271 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

HB 1271 AGR	, FIN	Date	2-25.	-2021
☐ 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)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	✓	-		
2. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)				
3. BRANCO, Patrick Pihana				
4. ELI, Stacelynn K.M.				
5. HOLT, Daniel				
6. ILAGAN, Greggor				
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
8. MARTEN, Lisa				
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
10. PERRUSO, Amy A.				
11. SAYAMA, Jackson D.				
12. TAM, Adrian K.				
13. WILDBERGER, Tina		Landing of the Control of the Contro		
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
15. McDERMOTT, Bob				.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
TOTAL (15)	14	Ø	Ø	
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If ignit referred did not support recommendation				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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