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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 443

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 443 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL FOOD PROGRAMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Education to conduct a comprehensive cost analysis of the department's food services and student meal programs, including increasing the use of locally grown agricultural products and reducing reliance on imported agricultural products and other food imports.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Farm Bureau; Hawaii Primary Care Association; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; Ulupono Initiative; Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii; Blue Zones Project; Local Food Coalition; Hawaii SEED; Ka Ohana O Na Pua; Hawaii Farmers Union United Kona Chapter; Kahana Foundation; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education and Department of Agriculture.

Your Committee finds that this measure would help invest in the health of Hawaii's children by providing nutritious, locally-grown food in schools and augment the State's food security and self-sufficiency by reducing its reliance on imported agricultural products.

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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. 443 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Education.

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



MARK J. HASHEM, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No: HB 443	Committee Referral: AGR, EDN, FIN	Date: 2/5/21		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. HASHEM, Mark J. (C)	✓			
2. PERRUSO, Amy A. (VC)	✓			
3. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
4. MARTEN, Lisa	✓			
5. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.	✓			
6. TODD, Chris	✓			
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
8. MATSUMOTO, Lauren	✓			
TOTAL (8)	8			
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small style="margin-left: 100px;">committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: -10px;"> </div>				
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