STAND. COM. REP. NO.



Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 24 , 2021

RE: H.B. No. 817

H.D. 2

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. 817, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish benchmarks that require each principal state department that purchases produce to ensure that a certain minimum percentage of the produce purchased by that department is locally grown, starting with ten percent by January 1, 2025, and progressing to fifty percent by January 1, 2050; and
- (2) Require that each department report to the Legislature annually on their progress in meeting those benchmarks.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i Farm Bureau, Malama Kaua'i, Kauai Food Hub, Blue Zones Project, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Hawaii Coffee Association, Hawai'i SEED, Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action, Hawai'i Public Health Institute, Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice, Land Use Research Foundation, and numerous individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure

from the Department of Education, Department of Agriculture, and Ulupono 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. 817, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



State of Hawaii



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 817, HD 2	Committee Referral:	FIN	Date: 2-23-	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 (W	R) 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	V			
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
8. MARTEN, Lisa	<u></u>			
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				·
10. PERRUSO, Amy A.				
11. SAYAMA, Jackson D.				
12. TAM, Adrian K.		_		
13. WILDBERGER, Tina				
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.		_		
15. McDERMOTT, Bob				
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The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, committee acronym(s) Not Adopted did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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