STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1761

Honolulu, Hawaii APR 08 , 2021

S.C.R. No. 246 RE: S.D. 1

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 S.C.R. No. 246, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT A WORKING GROUP BE CONVENED TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE REVITALIZING ECONOMY AND AGRICULTURE LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request that a working group be convened to develop recommendations for implementing the Revitalizing Economy and Agriculture Leadership (REAL) Initiative.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and Kamehameha Schools. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, and Agribusiness Development Corporation.

Your Committee finds that the REAL Initiative empowers Hawaii's farmers to become self-sustaining businesses with local, nutritional feedstock production and direct access to various markets. Your Committee further finds that a REAL working group would create entrepreneurial businesses with industry partners; provide market connections to attract capital assets to Hawaii; facilitate access to a sustainable food supply and feedstock for

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ranching; promote clean energy and restorative and precision and agriculture; and environmental conservation.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 246, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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

MARK J. HASHEM Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: SCR 246, SOI	46, 301 Committee Referral:		Date: 4-7-2021		
□ 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)					
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)	\checkmark				
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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