

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2661

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2959

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Agriculture and Environment and Higher Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2959 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to the University of Hawaii for the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources to establish one full-time agriculture education coordinator position.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the University of Hawai'i System; Department of Agriculture; Hawai'i Farm to School Hui; Local Food Coalition; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Hawai'i Youth Food Council; Growing Together Edible Landscaping; Center for Getting Things Started; Ka Ohana O Na Pua; Hawai'i Island School Garden Network; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; and five individuals. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committees find that the number of young farmers in Hawaii has steadily decreased in recent years. A key factor in the decreasing number of young farmers is the lack of agriculture education, which has led to falling interest in agricultural activities. This measure appropriates funds for a full-time agriculture education coordinator position to ensure the continuation and expansion of agriculture education for young farmers in the State.

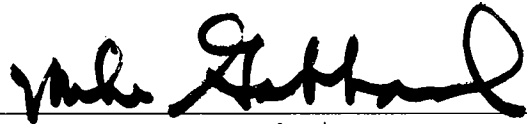


As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Agriculture and Environment and Higher Education that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2959 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Agriculture and
Environment and Higher
Education,



DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair




MIKE GABBARD, Chair



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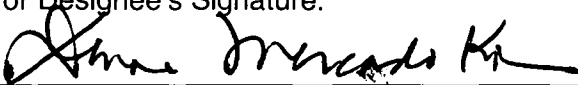
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Committee on Agriculture and Environment
AEN

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB2959	Committee Referral: (AEN) / HRE, WAM	Date: 02/17/22		
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The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	/			
ACASIO, Laura	/			
RHOADS, Karl				/
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
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Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2959	Committee Referral: AEN/HRE, WAM	Date: 2/17/22		
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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)				/
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn				/
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
TOTAL	3	—	—	2
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