

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 , 2023

RE: H.B. No. 310  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2023  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, to which was referred H.B. No. 310 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the establishment of an Agriculture Education Coordinator position at the University of Hawaii for the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, University of Hawaii at Manoa College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, University of Hawaii Professional Assembly, Hawai'i Farm Bureau, Hawai'i Public Health Institute, Ka Ohana O Na Pua, Center for Getting Things Started, and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources convened the P-20 Agriculture Education Working Group in 2015 to develop an implementation strategy and recommendations for the creation of a statewide coordinated framework of support for P-20 agriculture education. This measure implements one of the working group's recommendations in its final report in 2019, which outlined a coordinated framework of support

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for agriculture education in Hawaii and recommended that a coordinator position be established.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to June 30, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 310, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 310, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Agriculture & Food  
Systems,



CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES, Chair



