

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 26 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2079  
H.D. 1  
C.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2079, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE IMPORTATION OF PLANTS AND ANIMALS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to allow the State of Hawaii Plant and Animal Declaration Form to be distributed, completed, and transmitted electronically.

Your Committee on Conference finds that the Hawaii Plant and Animal Declaration Form (Declaration Form) helps prevent the importation of harmful pests into the State. Your Committee on Conference recognizes that allowing individuals, passengers, and crew of any flight or cruise that enters the State to submit an electronic version of the Declaration Form would increase compliance and more accurate reporting of the importation of harmful pests into the State. This measure clarifies that the Hawaii Plant and Animal



Declaration Form may be distributed, completed, and transmitted electronically, thereby facilitating the protection of Hawaii's unique environment, agriculture, and communities.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Making it effective upon its approval; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2079, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2079, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf  
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE



CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES  
Co-Chair



MIKE GABBARD  
Chair



KIRSTIN KAHALOA  
Co-Chair



LYNN DECOITE  
Co-Chair



GLENN WAKAI  
Co-Chair



Record of Votes of a  
Conference Committee

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure

The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.

Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
GABBARD, Mike, Chr.	✓	✓			GATES, Cedric Asuega, Co-chr.	✓			
DECOITE, Lynn, Co-Chr	✓	✓			KAHALOA, Kirstin, Co-Chr	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn, Co-Chr.	✓				AIU, Micah P.K.	✓			
					WARD, Gene				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>00</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>1</b>

A = Aye      WR = Aye with Reservations      N = Nay      E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 
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