STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2854

Honolulu, Hawaii

## MAR 0 1 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2291

S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2291, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADVISORY BOARDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to cultivate workforce development in the State.

Specifically, this measure establishes advisory boards focused on workforce development, for the Agribusiness Development Corporation, Hawaii Technology Development Corporation, and Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Hawaii Technology Development Corporation; Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority; Hawaii Farm Bureau; and Hawaii Farmers Union.

Your Committee finds that the advisory boards created by this measure will help each respective agency to identify workforce needs and improve coordination and alignment with Hawaii businesses, community partners, and other agencies. This increased coordination and alignment will foster development of the local workforce and increase the State's economic sustainability.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2024; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2291, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2291, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair

## The Senate Thirty-Second Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee	Referral:	Dat		
SB 2291,SD1	EET	, WAY	2	12312	2024
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		Χ			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)		X		<del></del>	
AQUINO, Henry J.C.		X			
DECOITE, Lynn					X
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.		X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.					X
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		×			
KIDANI, Michelle N.		X			
KIM, Donna Mercado		X			
LEE, Chris		×			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.		Х			
WAKAI, Glenn		×			
FEVELLA, Kurt		X			
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Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair sor Designee's Signature:					
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