

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3429

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 2024

RE: S.R. No. 19

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.R. No. 19 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE AQUACULTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM STRATEGIC PLAN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the Department of Agriculture to:

- (1) Support efforts to improve the Aquaculture Development Program Strategic Plan (Strategic Plan); and
- (2) Adopt the recommendations made by Hatch Innovation Services in its February 2024 report regarding the Strategic Plan.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture and four individuals.

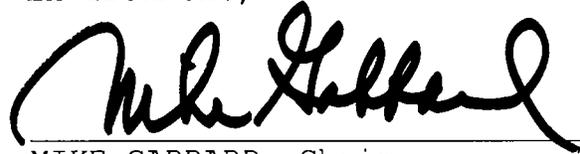
Your Committee finds that although the State's aquaculture sector is already well-established, more investment and resources are necessary to strengthen and build the capacity for this growing industry. This measure supports efforts to achieve the dual goals of increasing aquaculture food production and supporting initiatives for restorative aquaculture, thereby



increasing the economic resilience and food sustainability of the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 19 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Agriculture and  
Environment,



MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-Second Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Agriculture and Environment**  
**AEN**

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  
 If so, then the previous decision was to: \_\_\_\_\_

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312    
  Pass, with amendments 2311    
  Hold 2310    
  Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	✓			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim" (VC)				✓
DECOITE, Lynn	✓			
RHOADS, Karl	✓			
AWA, Brenton				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>

Recommendation:    
 Adopted    
 Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: *Karl Rhoads*

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