STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1003** -24

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2134

H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2134, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to establish Grant Specialist positions within the Department of Agriculture to assist farmers and ranchers in applying for, obtaining, and fulfilling the requirements of grants offered by federal, state, county, or private entities.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Maui County Farm Bureau; Ulupono Initiative; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Hawaii Floriculture and Nursery Association; Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii; Hawai'i Food+ Policy; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; Local Food Coalition; Aina Hookupu o Kilauea; and six individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the number of full-time equivalent Grant Specialist positions to an unspecified number.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your

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Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2134, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2134, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

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KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair

State of Hawaii



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

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☐ The committee is reconsidering its prev				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)				
2. KITAGAWA, Lisa (VC)	V		NR. 101	
3. AIU, Micah P.K.	V			
4. CHUN, Cory M.				
5. COCHRAN, Elle				V
6. GARRETT, Andrew Takuya				
7. KAHALOA, Kirstin				
8. KILA, Darius K.				
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
10. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.				
11. MORIKAWA, Dee	V			
12. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
13. POEPOE, Mahina			Shekara (m. 11)	
14. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna				
15. ALCOS III, David				V
16. WARD, Gene				
TOTAL (16)	14	0	0	2
The recommendation is: Valid Adopted Not Adopted				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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