Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2758 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. 2758, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Facilitate the control and eradication of invasive species and pests;
- (2) Establish a Plant Nursery Licensing Program;
- (3) Require the Board of Agriculture to designate certain species as pests for control or eradication;
- (4) Impose certain limits on imports and transportation; and
- (5) Update the method by which the Board of Agriculture updates its noxious weed list.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; 'Ahahui o na Kauka Association of Native Hawaiian Physicians; Hawai'i Farmers Union United; Hawai'i Land Trust; Sierra Club of Hawai'i; Kupuna for the Mo'opuna; Livable Hawaii Kai Hui; Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo; Malu

'Aina; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Agriculture and Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Maui Chamber of Commerce; and Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2758, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-second Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

	e Referral: Date: 02 22 2024			
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
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
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5. COCHRAN, Elle				
6. GARRETT, Andrew Takuya				
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10. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.	<u> </u>		型維基維治開始組合。為,第1777。	
11. MORIKAWA, Dee				
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15. ALCOS III, David				
16. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (16)	14	0	0	2
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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