

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

870

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 27 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 534
H.D. 2

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 534, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LABELING REQUIREMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit the sale of processed food items with raw ahi products as an ingredient at Hawaii retail establishments without a label stating the country in which the ahi was landed.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Chamber of Commerce Hawaii; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Fishing Tales with Mike Sakamoto; Hawaii Longline Association; and four individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture.

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. 534, 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



