

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 883

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2025

RE: S.B. No. 763
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Ways and Means and Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 763, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to address and prevent agricultural crimes.

More specifically, the measure:

- (1) Establishes and appropriates moneys for the Agricultural Enforcement Program within the Department of Law Enforcement; and
- (2) Establishes and appropriates moneys into and out of the Agricultural Enforcement Special Fund.

Your Committees received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Department of Law Enforcement, Agribusiness Development Corporation, Hawaii Farm Bureau, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Hawaii Food + Policy, Ulupalakua Ranch, McCandless Land and Cattle Co. LLC, and four individuals.



Your Committees received written comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committees find that the program established and funded by this measure will help facilitate interagency cooperation and create a comprehensive approach to the prevention and investigation of agricultural crimes.

Your Committees have amended this measure to make the placement of the program consistent with the placement of the Narcotics Enforcement Division within the Department of Law Enforcement organizational chart by clarifying that the Administrator of the Agricultural Enforcement Program shall be subject to the direction of the Deputy Director for Law Enforcement.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Ways and Means and Judiciary that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 763, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 763, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Ways and Means
and Judiciary,



KARL RHOADS, Chair



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Third Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 763 SD1	Committee Referral: AEN/PSM, WAM/JDC	Date: 2-19-2025		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	/			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	/			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	/			
DECOITE, Lynn	/			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	/			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	/			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
LEE, Chris	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
TOTAL	13	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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***Only one measure per Record of Votes**

