

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1929
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1929, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIOSECURITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require and appropriate funds for the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity to develop a Molokai Biosecurity Plan to prevent the spread of invasive species found elsewhere in the State to the island of Molokai;
- (2) Authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds for a plant and plant materials quarantine and inspection facility on the island of Molokai; and
- (3) Appropriate funds for facility staffing and biosecurity support services on Molokai and the development of the Molokai Biosecurity Plan.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity; Department of Land and Natural Resources; Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; O'ahu Invasive Species Committee; Free Access



Coalition; Kupuna for the Mo'opuna; Sierra Club of Hawai'i; Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition; Ho'olehua Homesteader's Association; Kauai Climate Action Coalition; The Nature Conservancy, Hawai'i and Palmyra; Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species; Conservation Council for Hawai'i; and numerous individuals.

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. 1929, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



CHRIS TODD, Chair



