

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 , 2026

RE: H.B. No. 2119  
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. 2119, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COFFEE PEST CONTROL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Temporarily reestablish the Coffee Berry Borer and Coffee Leaf Rust Pesticide Subsidy Program and the program manager position, including the position's civil service and collective bargaining laws exemption;
- (2) Require the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity to report to the Legislature; and
- (3) Appropriate funds into and out of the Pesticide Use Revolving Fund for the operation and implementation of the Pesticide Subsidy Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity; Big Island Invasive Species Committee; Hawaii Coffee Growers Association; Hawaii Coffee Association; Ka'ū Coffee Growers Cooperative; Kodama Farms, LLC; Kona Coffee Farmers Association; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; and eight 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. 2119, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



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CHRIS TODD, Chair



