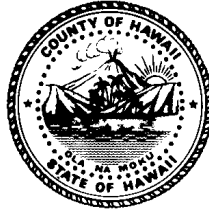


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Representative Ryan I. Yamane, Chair
Representative Chris Todd, Vice Chair
Committee on Water, Land and Hawaiian Affairs

Dear Chair Yamane, Vice Chairs Todd, and Committee Members:

RE: SB 2701 Relating to Agricultural Buildings

SB 2701 recognizes that there needs to be a method of verification if exemptions to a Building Code are conditional, and if those conditions are to be taken seriously.

I believe this bill provides an appropriate balance between the need for verification and the right of privacy. Inspection is limited to agricultural buildings, it is limited in the personnel who can investigate, it is limited as to purpose, and it puts the burden on government to seek court oversight if there is a dispute.

I support SB 2701 and urge its adoption.

Respectfully Submitted,

Harry Kim
MAYOR