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Senate Bill 2954 SD 2 HD 1 - RELATING TO AGRICULTURE

Chair Takamine, Vice Chair Kawakami, and Members of the Committee:

The purpose of the bill is to establish an irrigation repair and maintenance special fund, to establish a tax credit for matching funds provided by landowners who receive funding from the special fund, and to appropriate money for the repair of irrigation systems statewide.

I support SB2954 SD2 HD1. The repair and maintenance of agricultural irrigation systems are crucial to the success of agriculture in Hawai'i. The establishment of the irrigation repair and maintenance special fund and tax credit is a major step toward addressing this need.

For these reasons, I support SB2954 SD2 HD1. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.