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In applying IAL, it's become clear that the State is using force and intimidation to coerce families into farming despite financial or impractical odds against it. Everyone knows agriculture is largely economically unfeasible for Hawaii because of its inherent costs.

If the Jones Act were removed, local farmers and ranchers would have direct access to supplies, materials, fertilizer, feed, etc. at low Asian prices from ships landing here directly from the Orient. Agriculture and all of Hawaii businesses would boom and diversify.

Yet, instead of creating real incentives for farming, the State applies the law and regulations to direct this industry's growth no different than socialist dictatorships.

The law creating IAL should be repealed for its infringement on an American fundamental principle – the right to private ownership especially when it embodies a family's heritage and roots like a home.

Thank you.

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