

Honolulu, Hawaii  
Feb 8, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2573

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2006  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.B. No. 2573 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

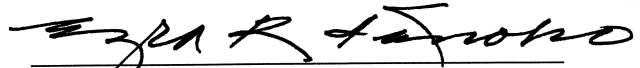
The purpose of this bill is to strengthen watershed management efforts by designating the Kaiaka Bay watershed on Oahu as the site for a pilot watershed and action plan that might serve as a model for statewide use. This bill appropriates \$200,000 to the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources (CTAHR) of the University of Hawaii at Manoa for this undertaking.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Haleiwa Community Gardens Association, Resource Management Systems, and several individuals, including Waialua and Haleiwa residents, testified in support of this bill. CTAHR also supported this measure, provided that the bill's passage does not affect CTAHR's priorities in the Executive Biennium Budget.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2573 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Higher Education.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Water, Land, &  
Ocean Resources,

  
EZRA R. KANOHO, Chair

