

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 16, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 3121  
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which  
was referred H.B. No. 3121 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL DEFENSE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to direct the Director of Civil  
Defense (Director), and organizations under the direction of the  
Director operating and maintaining emergency shelters during civil  
defense emergency periods, to make suitable arrangements and  
accommodations to provide shelter for pet animals, subject to the  
public's health, welfare, and safety.

The state Department of Defense testified in support of this  
measure.

Your Committee finds that, concerned over the welfare and  
safety of their pet animals during an emergency situation, many  
pet owners would rather put themselves in harm's way than abandon  
their pets.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

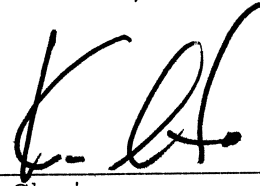
- (1) Directing the Governor to adopt criteria, requirements,  
conditions, and limitations for providing suitable  
arrangements for sheltering pet animals in public  
shelters;



- (2) Directing the Director to identify public shelters suitable for sheltering pet animals; ,
- (3) Allowing the Director to identify suitable private shelters for pet animals; and
- (4) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 3121, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 3121, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety &  
Military Affairs,



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KEN ITO, Chair



