

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 7, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2909  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2909, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERMIT APPROVALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to allow a county to opt out of the automatic approval law by adopting an ordinance to exempt the county as a whole or any county agency from the automatic permit approval law.

The Hawaii County Planning Department and Sierra Club, Hawaii Chapter testified in support of this bill. The Mayor of the County of Hawaii supported the intent of this measure. The Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii opposed this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

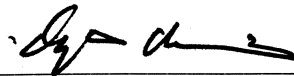
- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity and style.



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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2909, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2909, S.D. 1, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Finance,



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DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



