

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 7, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3077
S.D. 2
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. 3077, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSERVATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to consult with the Senate President and Speaker of the House of Representatives when:
 - (A) Preparing or revising a resource land acquisition plan; and
 - (B) Making recommendations to the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) on the acquisition of lands having value as a resource to the State;and
- (2) Require BLNR to consult with the Senate President and Speaker of the House of Representatives when:
 - (A) Selling, leasing, or otherwise conveying lands having value as a resource to the State; and



- (B) Making grants to state agencies, counties, and nonprofit land conservation organizations for the purchase or acquisition of interests or rights in land having value as a resource to the State.

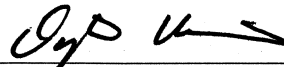
DLNR supported this bill. The Trust for Public Land supported this measure and offered an amendment. The Department of Agriculture, Nature Conservancy of Hawaii, and Hawaii Agriculture Research Center provided comments with suggested amendments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding an appropriation for an unspecified amount from the Land Conservation Fund;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 3077, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3077, S.D. 2, H.D. 2.

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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



