

Honolulu, Hawaii

Ag-15, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3084
S.D. 2
H.D. 3

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. 3084, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to clarify the appraisal process for state acquisitions of lands having value as a resource to the State by:

- (1) Authorizing the State to review, approve, and accept existing appraisals if the appraisal was completed within one year and performed according to accepted professional standards;
- (2) Requiring the State to contract with no more than three disinterested appraisers;
- (3) Authorizing the purchase of lands having value as a resource to the State for a sum greater than the highest value fixed by the appraiser only if the higher value is determined to be justified by an independent appraiser, except if the land is condemned;



- (4) Requiring the appraisal reports to be available for inspection and copying by the public after the land has been acquired or abandoned; and
- (5) Exempting donated lands from appraisal requirements.

The Hawaii Agriculture Research Center, The Nature Conservancy, and The Trust for Public Land supported this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that acquisitions by the State under the acquisition of reserve value lands law are performed by the Board of Land and Natural Resources;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for consistency, clarity, 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. 3084, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3084, S.D. 2, H.D. 3.

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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



