

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2546
S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2546 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a Hawaii construction authority task force to determine the feasibility of establishing a Hawaii Construction Authority.

Your Committee finds that the construction industry has experienced a recent boom in construction activities with projection of continued growth. This expansion of the construction industry brings with it many unanswered questions relating to:

- (1) The adequacy of the workforce and future labor needs;
- (2) Redundancy and bureaucracy in the land use and permitting process;
- (3) The impact of the construction industry on the finite natural resources of the State; and
- (4) The environmental impacts of increased development.

The Hawaii construction authority task force is tasked with the review of the above issues and any other pertinent issues to



determine the efficacy, costs, and benefits of establishing a Hawaii Construction Authority.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical nonsubstantive changes for clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2546, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2546, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Third Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the
Committee on Ways and Means
(Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* SB 2546	Committee Referral: LBR/BED/TGO, WAM	Date: 2/27/06		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (2312) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (2311) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold (2310) <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit (2313)				
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	/			
KANNO, Brian	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
SAKAMOTO, Norman	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred				/
SLOM, Sam			/	
TRIMBLE, Gordon			/	
TOTAL	12	0	2	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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