

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 66
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 Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Housing,
to which was referred S.C.R. No. 66 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE LEGISLATIVE
REFERENCE BUREAU STUDY AND EVALUATE THE FEASIBILITY OF
ESTABLISHING AN ECONOMIC REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR THE URBAN
CORE OF HONOLULU,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Legislative
Reference Bureau to study and evaluate the feasibility of
establishing an economic redevelopment agency for the urban core
of Honolulu.

Testimony commenting on the measure was received from the
Hawaii Community Development Authority and the Legislative
Reference Bureau (requesting amendments).

Your Committee finds that the Hawaii Community Development
Authority was established thirty years ago to ensure that the
Kakaako area is invigorated in a timely fashion as a dynamic urban
neighborhood to bring together a wide spectrum of activities and
commerce, as well as a greater mixture of Hawaii's population.
Your Committee further finds that this measure, as currently
drafted, virtually prejudices the outcome of the requested study,
including determinations about the redevelopment of the urban core
of Honolulu.



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Your Committee has amended the measure, as suggested by the Legislative Reference Bureau, to limit the scope of the requested study to the possible functions, powers, and duties of a redevelopment agency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 66, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 66, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce, Consumer
Protection, and Housing,



RON MENOR, Chair



