STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1252

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 2 3 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1641

H.D. 2 S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred H.B. No. 1641, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PESTICIDES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require that distribution and use of restricted pesticides used for structural pest control services be limited to pest control operators licensed by the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs. This measure also defines "pest control operator".

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture (DOA) and Hawaii Pest Control Association.

Your Committee finds that it is important that providers of pest control services maintain professional licenses, as required by the State. Among the licensing requirements is the maintenance of liability insurance. Because of hazards to people or the environment, the use of designated pesticides should be limited to persons in full compliance with state licensing requirements.

The intent of this measure is to protect the environment, as well as the public health, safety, and welfare.

Your Committee has amended this measure on the recommendation of the Hawaii Pest Control Association to clarify the language for purposes of readability and understandability.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1641, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1641, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Affordable Housing.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Energy and Environment,

RON MENOR, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Energy and Environment ENE

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.				
If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is:				
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
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HOOSER, Gary L. (VC)				
IHARA, Jr., Les				
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designer's Signature:				
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