

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1649

Honolulu, Hawaii
April 2, 2007

RE: H.R. No. 274

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.R. No. 274 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM, TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO EVALUATE PLANS BY YOUNG BROTHERS, LTD., TO DISCONTINUE ITS LESS-THAN-CONTAINER-LOAD INTERISLAND CARGO SERVICE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to ensure the efficient and effective movement of cargo throughout Hawaii by requesting the Department of Transportation (DOT), in collaboration with the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, to conduct a study to evaluate plans by Young Brothers, Ltd., to discontinue its less-than-container-load inter-island cargo service.

DOT, the Agribusiness Development Corporation, The Hawaii Business League, and L & R Farms Ent LLC, testified in support of this measure. The Division of Consumer Advocacy of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and Young Brothers, Limited testified in support of the intent of this measure.

Hawaii's harbors serve as a lifeline between the major Hawaiian islands. Young Brothers, Limited, provides a valuable service to many businesses in Hawaii by shipping goods between the islands. "Less-than-container-load" service allows smaller

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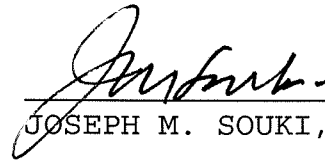


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businesses to ship their goods between islands. The discontinuation of this type of service will have severe impacts on Hawaii's businesses, especially small businesses.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 274 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns.

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



JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



