

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1270
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 Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian
Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1270, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PLANNING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the government and
public's abilities to make informed decisions on various public
policy and operational issues relating to state planning by
enhancing the ability of the Office of Planning to manage and
coordinate a Statewide Geographic Information and Data Integration
Program.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Creates a Statewide Geospatial Information and Data
Integration Special Fund to assist in the operation and
maintenance of the Statewide Geospatial Information and
Data Integration Program;
- (2) Clarifies the role that the Office of Planning has in
maintaining and coordinating a statewide enterprise
geographic information system;
- (3) Appropriates an unspecified amount from the general fund
to support the implementation of a geographic
information system software enterprise license
agreement;



- (4) Appropriates an unspecified amount from the general fund to be deposited into the Statewide Geospatial Information and Data Integration Special Fund; and
- (5) Appropriates an unspecified amount to allow the Office of Planning to expend moneys from the Statewide Geospatial Information and Data Integration Special Fund.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Department of Land and Natural Resources; the Department of Agriculture; the Department of Health; the Office of Planning, Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; the Mayor, County of Kauai; the Department of Planning and Permitting, City and County of Honolulu; and the Pacific Disaster Center.

The Office of Planning currently manages a statewide geographic information system that is used on a daily basis by a number of state agencies. The current geographic information system server provides state agencies open access to over one hundred fifty geospatial layers that are available on the State's central geographic information system database. This information is a helpful tool for state agencies to make informed decisions regarding policy making, long-term planning, operational issues, and emergency planning and response.

Your Committee finds that additional support is needed for the geographic information system to be updated and expanded so that the system can serve more agencies and the public. Providing funds to allow the Office of Planning to enter into a geographic information system software enterprise license agreement on behalf of all state agencies using geospatial technologies and data fulfills the intent of this measure, which is to improve the government and public's abilities to make informed decisions on various public policy and operational issues.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding a part II to this measure that inserts the language of S.B. No. 844, that appropriates an unspecified amount to the Office of the Auditor for the development of the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Plan and supports the important efforts of the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Task Force;




- (2) Changing the effective date of this measure to July 1, 2050; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of style and consistency.

Your Committee believes that this measure, as amended, fulfills the intent of this measure, which is to improve the government and public's abilities to make informed decisions on various public policy and operational issues relating to state planning.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1270, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1270, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land,
Agriculture, and Hawaiian
Affairs,




RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, Chair



The Senate
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<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <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	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (C)	X			
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	X			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	X			
HEE, Clayton	X			
SLOM, Sam			X	
TOTAL	4	0	1	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-size: 2em; font-family: cursive;">  </div>				
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