

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 867 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 29, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 1898
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1898 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to mitigate damage from storm runoff at Kaelepulu pond by providing funding to dredge, install drain inlets and sediment devices, and make other modifications.

Enchanted Lakes Residents Association and several concerned individuals supported this bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) opposed this bill. Windward Ahupua'a Alliance submitted comments.

Upon further consideration, your Committee has amended this measure by deleting its contents and inserting the substance of House Bill. No. 3341, Regular Session of 2008. As amended, this bill:

- (1) Requires DLNR to address the problems of the Kailua waterways system by appropriating funds to:
 - (A) Conduct an engineering study and an environmental assessment for the preliminary design and specification of measures to restore adequate water flow from Kawainui marsh to Kawainui stream using



siphons, tunnels, pumps, or other appropriate measures;

- (B) Conduct a study to maximize the efficiency of the monthly stream mouth opening procedures, as well as to improve procedures to respond to threats of flooding due to a blocked canal mouth; and
- (C) Design and implement measures to reduce the amount of polluted runoff delivered to Kaelepulu pond by redesigning and restoring the function of the Keopu flood basin;

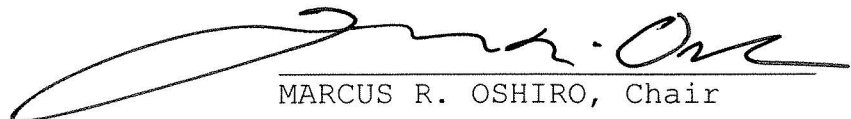
and

- (2) Appropriates funds, under certain conditions, for the Department of Transportation to plan, design, and construct measures to address water quality, siltation, and other Kailua waterway system problems as mentioned in the bill.

Your Committee has also changed this measure's effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1898, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1898, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



