

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 15, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2686
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 Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2686 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that agency rulemaking does not exceed statutory authority by conforming Hawaii Administrative Procedure Law to federal law with respect to rulemaking and public participation in government.

The ILWU Local 142 and several concerned individuals supported this bill. The Small Business Regulatory Review Board supported the intent of this measure. The Hawaii Civil Rights Commission opposed this bill.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2686, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2686, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.



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



TOMMY WATERS, Chair



