

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 4, 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2170
S.D. 1
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 S.B. No. 2170, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC LAND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to enable the State and counties to limit governmental liability for injuries caused by dangerous natural conditions on or near public beach parks by including public beach parks in the definition of "improved public lands."

The Department of the Attorney General, County of Hawaii, Hawaii County Council, City and County of Honolulu, and Hawaii State Association of Counties testified in support of this bill. The County of Kauai supported the intent of this measure. The Consumer Lawyers of Hawaii opposed this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2011; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 S.B. No.



2170, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2170, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

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



TOMMY WATERS, Chair



