

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1172 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 18, 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2644
S.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 Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian
Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2644, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE HISTORIC
PRESERVATION OFFICER,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to strengthen historic
preservation laws by requiring that a State Historic Preservation
Officer appointed by the Governor meet the standards established
by the United States Secretary of the Interior and have
professional experience related to historic preservation in
Hawaii. In addition, this bill requires the Governor to
immediately advise the President of the Senate and the Speaker of
the House of Representatives of the appointed individual and the
appointee's qualifications.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Oahu Island Burial Council,
Society for Hawaiian Archaeology, Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawaii
Nei, Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152,
AFL-CIO, and a concerned individual testified in support of this
bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources opposed this
measure.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2644, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, Ocean
Resources & Hawaiian Affairs,



KEN ITO, Chair



