

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 134  
S.D. 2  
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 Committees on Education and Health, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 134, S.D. 2, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO "BUY LOCAL" AND TO IMPLEMENT AND DEVELOP FOOD WARE AND FOOD WASTE RECYCLING PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE SUSTAINABILITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to promote a sustainable future for Hawaii by urging the Department of Education (DOE) and the Department of Health (DOH) to "buy" local and to develop a food ware and food waste recycling program.

DOE, DOH, Styrophobia, Hawaii Food Industry Association, and several concerned individuals testified in support of the measure.

Your Committee would like to note that testimony from George White indicated that polystyrene recycling is not feasible, and that even the plastic industry acknowledges that it is a losing proposition. In light of that matter, your Committee has amended the measure by:

- 1) Deleting several references to polystyrene products




- 2) Amending the language in the first BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED section to encourage the use of compostable products in substitute for polystyrene product.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 134, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Finance, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 134, S.D. 2, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Education and  
Health,

  
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ROY TAKAMI, Chair  
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