

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3292

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2523

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 2523 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the Land Use Commission's decision making criteria for petitions to reclassify land to include the County General Plan and all community, development, or community development plans adopted pursuant to the county general plan.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the City and County of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting, Hawaii Association of Realtors, State Office of Planning, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, and two members of the County Council of the County of Maui. The University of Hawaii Environmental Center submitted comments on this measure.

Your Committee finds that land use decisions that affect residents living and working within a county should be made at the level closest to those people. This measure will ensure that the Land Use Commission gives due consideration to the policy and decisions of the counties as expressed in the county general plans.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2523, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

2008-2239 SSCR SMA.doc



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water and Land,



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Water and Land
WTL

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 2523	Committee Referral: IGM, WTL	Date: 3/31/08
---	--	-------------------------

The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
 If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312 Pass, with amendments 2311 Hold 2310 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WHALEN, Paul				/
TOTAL	4			1

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:
Russell S. Kohb

Distribution: Original Yellow Pink Goldenrod
 File with Committee Report Clerk's Office Drafting Agency Committee File Copy

*Only one measure per Record of Votes