

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1368
S.D. 1

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 S.B. No. 1368 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide for the development of a use-it-or-lose-it mechanism for land classification to the urban district to ensure more effective timing of development of planned or approved urban or rural capacity.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, Office of Planning, Sierra Club, Hawaii, and one individual. Testimony in opposition to this measure was submitted by The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii and Building Industry Association - Hawaii.

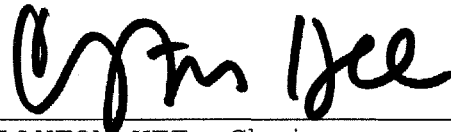
Your Committee finds that there are cases where lands reclassified by the Land Use Commission to the urban district are undeveloped for many years after the reclassification. Your Committee is concerned that in some cases conditions have changed so significantly that the development proposal as originally conceived may warrant review and reconsideration. Your Committee also finds that premature urban or rural classification encourages speculative land banking and creates uncertainty in the buildout of planned urban or rural capacity and associated infrastructure. This measure provides for the development of a use-it-or-lose-it mechanism to ensure more effective timing of development of planned or approved urban or rural capacity.



Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and style.

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 S.B. No. 1368, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1368, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 1368	WTL, WAM	2/11/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol				/
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WHALEN, Paul				/
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Russell Kohl</i>				
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