

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2674

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 29 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2627

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 Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2627, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COPPER PURCHASES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require any purchase of
copper by a scrap dealer or recycler to be made by check payable
to the seller, and to provide penalties for a violation therefor.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from Reynolds Recycling.

This measure also requires that:

- (1) At the time of sale of the copper, the seller present to
the scrap dealer or recycler a valid photo
identification card or license of the seller issued by a
federal or state government authorized to issue valid
identifications; and
- (2) The check be mailed to the address shown on the
identification, or in the alternative, the check is
picked up personally by the seller at the place of
business of the scrap dealer or recycler.

The intent of this measure is to deter the sale of stolen
copper to scrap dealers and recyclers by prohibiting cash
transactions and identifying the seller in the process of the

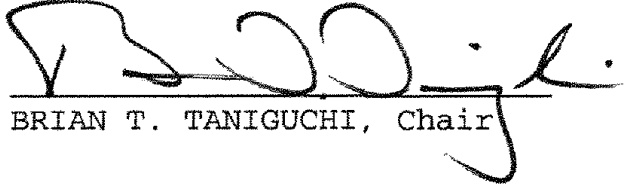
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sales transaction. Sales of stolen copper, typically copper wire, commonly occur when a copper thief or a confederate walks onto the premises of a scrap dealer or recycler to sell copper for cash. This measure would deter that practice.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2627, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

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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
TANIGUCHI, BRIAN T. (C)	/			
HEE, Clayton (VC)				/
GABBARD, Mike	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				/
SLOM, Sam			/	/
TOTAL	3		1	2

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: *Russell S. Kohn*

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