

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3469

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 2008

RE: S.C.R. No. 161
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 Health, to which was referred S.C.R.
No. 161 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH TO IMPLEMENT A STATEWIDE RAINWATER DETENTION AND
RETENTION POND SAFETY PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect public health and
safety by requesting the Department of Health to implement a
statewide rainwater detention and retention pond safety program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the ILWU Local 142; Dowling Company, Inc.; and thirty seven
individuals. The Coalition of Hawaii Engineering and
Architectural Professionals submitted comments on this measure.

Your Committee finds that rainwater retention and detention
ponds need to be regulated in order to protect public health and
safety. The costs of implementing a statewide rainwater detention
and retention pond safety program are minimal, particularly when a
child's safety is put at risk.

Your Committee has amended this measure to clarify that the
safety program is not intended to apply to golf course properties.


As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your
Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 161,

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as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 161, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



