

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 19, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1443
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, &
Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1443 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOME OCCUPATIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to support small business activity by allowing owner-occupants of a home to engage in home occupations that do not have serious negative impacts on the surrounding residential area.

Several concerned individuals submitted testimony in support of this bill. The Maui Chamber of Commerce supported the intent of this measure.

Layoffs and the lack of jobs in Hawaii's economy are forcing residents to look for alternatives to traditional forms of employment. At the same time, the Internet has opened up opportunities for people to work out of their homes. Your Committee finds that supporting home occupations that do not have serious negative impacts on the neighborhood is a timely and needed measure during these difficult economic times.

Your Committee has amended this bill by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1443, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1443, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committees on Housing and Water, Land, & Ocean Resources.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Revitalization, Business, &
Military Affairs,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



