

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 23

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 5, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 679
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 Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.B. No. 679 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PARKS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to eliminate the five percent reduction from the State Parks Special Fund to increase the amount of funds available for construction, repairs, replacement, additions, and extensions of state park facilities.

The Hawaii Tourism Authority and a concerned individual supported this bill. The Department of Budget and Finance opposed this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by inserting the provisions of House Bill No. 680, in an attempt to consolidate two measures that seek to make changes to the State Parks Special Fund to make it more effective in providing funding for the beautification, repair, and maintenance of Hawaii's state parks. Specifically, this bill has been amended by including as an authorized expenditure from the State Parks Special Fund, payment of the debt service on revenue bonds that are issued for the construction, repairs, replacement, additions, and extensions of state park facilities.

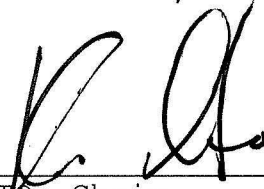
HB679 HD1 HSCR WLO HMS 2009-1690



Technical, nonsubstantive amendments were also made for style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 679, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 679, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

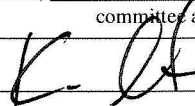
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, &
Ocean Resources,



KEN ITO, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 679	Committee Referral: WLO, FIN	Date: Feb. 02, 2009		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WLO Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ITO, Ken (C)	✓			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	✓			
3. CABANILLA, Rida	✓			
4. CHANG, Jerry L.	✓			
5. CHONG, Pono	✓			
6. COFFMAN, Denny	✓			
7. HERKES, Robert N.	.		.	✓
8. LEE, Chris	✓			
9. LUKE, Sylvia	✓			
10. MORITA, Hermina M.	✓			
11. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓			
12. CHING, Corinne W.L.	✓			
13. THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL (13)	12			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. _____ committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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