

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 20, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 899

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred
H.B. No. 899 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN
AFFAIRS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to clarify and strengthen the
authority of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) to issue revenue
bonds to obtain funding for its projects by amending the bond
provisions of Chapter 10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to reflect
current government bond practices and provide increased autonomy
for OHA in issuing bonds.

OHA supported this bill. The Department of the Attorney
General (AG) commented on the measure.

The AG raised several concerns about the amendments made to
the bond authority by this bill. Your Committee believes that
these issues are within the purview and expertise of the Committee
on Finance to which this measure is next referred, and
respectfully requests that the Committee examine these concerns.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report,
your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B.
No. 899 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred
to the Committee on Finance.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

Mele Carroll

MELE CARROLL, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 899	Committee Referral: WAWAWAWAW HAW, FIN	Date: 2-18-09		
<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 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)				
HAW Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CARROLL, Mele (C)	/			
2. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	/			
5. BROWER, Tom				/
6. MIZUNO, John M.	/			
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	/			
8. YAMANE, Ryan I.	/			
9. WARD, Gene	/			
TOTAL (9)	8	0	0	1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small style="margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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