

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1761

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 17, 2009

RE: H.R. No. 108
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.R. No. 108 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF VETERANS' SERVICES
TO DIRECT ITS POLICY ADVISORY BOARD ON VETERANS' SERVICES TO
FORMULATE VETERAN ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA OF STATEWIDE
APPLICABILITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to request the Office of
Veterans' Services to direct its Advisory Board on Veterans'
Services to formulate veteran eligibility criteria that could be
implemented in all state and county laws that provide health,
education, human services, housing, loan financing, business
development, and labor benefits.

Before the hearing of this measure, your Committee
distributed a proposed H.D. 1 that replaced the substance of H.R.
No. 108 with provisions requesting the Department of Commerce and
Consumer Affairs (DCCA) and Department of Business, Economic
Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) to conduct a study of
telecommunications and broadband infrastructure inventory in
Hawaii.

DCCA and DBEDT commented on the proposed H.D. 1.

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Upon consideration, your Committee has replaced the substance of H.R. No. 108 with the substance of the proposed H.D. 1, which has been amended to:

- (1) Require the Hawaii Broadband Commissioner (Commissioner) rather than DCCA and DBEDT, to perform the study;
- (2) Provide that if legislation establishing the Commissioner is not enacted in 2009, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is requested to perform the study and report to the Legislature;
- (3) Request DCCA and DBEDT to assist the Commissioner or PUC, as the case may be, in performing the study; and
- (4) Conform the title to these amendments. As amended, the title reads, "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII BROADBAND COMMISSIONER TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE INVENTORY."

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 108, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 108, H.D. 1.

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



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



