

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 29 2009 , 2009

RE: S.B. No. 564
S.D. 2
H.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

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

Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 564, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to clarify fire inspection laws by:

- (1) Clarifying that the county fire chiefs or their designees are authorized to inspect all buildings and facilities, except state-owned airport facilities, and not only those that are state-owned or county-owned; and
- (2) Requiring fire safety inspections at least once every five years or as often as practicable or necessary instead of every two years for all buildings other than public schools.



Your Committee on Conference finds that requiring the County Fire Chief, or the Chief's designee, to inspect all buildings and facilities at least once every five years or as often as deemed practicable or necessary provides the County Fire Chief with much needed flexibility in carrying out inspection duties. Limited resources are available to the County Fire Chief and over the years the number of facilities to inspect has greatly increased. This measure ensures that resources are focused on buildings and facilities that are more in need of immediate inspection, thus ensuring that fire prevention and pre-fire planning issues are timely addressed.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the County Fire Chief is authorized to inspect all buildings and facilities; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to upon approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 564, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 564, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE


 FAYE HANOHANO, Co-Chair


 WILL ESPERO, Chair


 MARILYN B. LEE, Co-Chair


 J. KALANI ENGLISH, Co-Chair



**Record of Votes of a
Conference Committee**

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

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Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
ESPERO, Will, Chr.	✓				HANOHANO, Faye P., Co-Chr.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani, Co-Chr.	✓				LEE, Marilyn B., Co-Chr.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓	AQUINO, Henry J.C.	✓			
					PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
TOTAL	2			1	TOTAL	4			

A = Aye WR = Aye with Reservations N = Nay E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:
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