

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1135

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2009

RE: S.B. No. 564
S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred S.B. No. 564, S.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure adequate fire safety conditions while providing greater flexibility and efficiency for county fire departments by requiring fire safety inspections at least every five years instead of every two years for buildings.

The State Fire Council, Honolulu Fire Department, Kauai Fire Department, and Maui Fire Department supported this bill.

Your Committee finds that the provisions of this bill may allow county fire departments greater flexibility with their limited resources. However, concerns have been raised regarding reducing the number of fire safety inspections for facilities such as hospitals and care homes that deal with highly flammable substances such as oxygen and whose residents may have impaired abilities to evacuate in an emergency situation.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 564, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB564 SD2 HSCR PBS HMS 2009-3238



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,



FAYE HANOANO, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 564, SD 2	Committee Referral: PBS, FIN	Date: 3-19-2009		
<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 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)				
PBS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. HANOHANO, Faye P. (C)	✓			
2. AQUINO, Henry J.C. (VC)	✓			
3. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
4. KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.				✓
5. LEE, Marilyn B.	✓			
6. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.				✓
7. RHOADS, Karl		✓		
8. SAIKI, Scott K.	✓			
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.	✓			
10. TAKUMI, Roy M.				✓
11. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
12. PINE, Kymberly Marcos				✓
TOTAL (12)	7	1		4
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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