

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

549

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 20, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 459

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.B. No. 459 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE HAWAII
CIVIL AIR PATROL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to maintain the essential
disaster relief, search and rescue, homeland security, and medical
emergency transport services provided by the Hawaii Civil Air
Patrol by appropriating funds to help defray the operational
expenses of the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol.

The 66th Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol and a
concerned individual testified in support of this bill.

Hawaii's Civil Air Patrol is an unpaid, all-volunteer
organization that provides various vital services to the people of
Hawaii, including flying disaster relief and search and rescue
missions, providing support for homeland security operations, and
performing medical transports. Maintaining the readiness
capability of this organization will enhance their ability to
assist the people of Hawaii when they are called upon in the
future.



Your Committee finds that appropriating funds for the expenses of the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol will strengthen its efforts in, among other things, providing better training for search and rescue activities, performing tsunami warning duties, and offering increased educational opportunities to cadets. While your Committee understands the economic situation currently facing the State, sustaining the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol is an important public safety issue that deserves further consideration.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 459, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 459, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

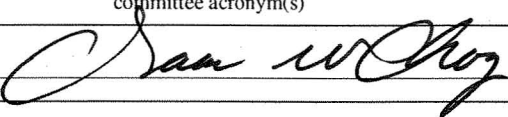


ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 459	Committee Referral: EBM, FIN	Date: 2/17/09		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input 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)				
EBM Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	✓			
2. CHOY, Isaac W. (VC)	✓			
3. BERG, Lyla B.	✓			
4. EVANS, Cindy				✓
5. MANAHAN, Joey	✓			
6. TAKAI, K. Mark				
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
8. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
9. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
10. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
11. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (11)	9			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
Distribution: Original (White) – Committee Duplicate (Yellow) – Chief Clerk's Office Duplicate (Pink) – HMSO				