

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 2010

RE: H.C.R. No. 92

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 92 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF MANDATORY STATEWIDE TRAINING STANDARDS FOR SELLERS AND SERVERS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to reduce the negative consequences of excessive alcohol consumption by patrons of commercial establishments by requesting the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) to study the feasibility of mandatory statewide training standards for sellers and servers of alcoholic beverages.

The Hawaii Food Industry Association and Mothers Against Drunk Driving supported this concurrent resolution. DCCA provided comments.

Alcoholic beverage server training to identify and deal with overdrinking by patrons would help to reduce drunk driving fatalities and violent crimes in Hawaii, as well as the liability of owners of retail and serving establishments. However Hawaii is one of only 15 states that lack an alcoholic beverage server training law. Currently, server training requirements, if any, are not uniform, and are left to each county's liquor commission.



Your Committee has not transferred the server training feasibility study to the Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB), as suggested by DCCA, because LRB is overtaxed and may be faced with budget cuts.

Your Committee requests that the working group assembled by DCCA include representatives of the four county liquor commissions and at least the following community groups: the Hawaii Hotel and Lodging Association, Hawaii Restaurant Association, and Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau.

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.C.R. No. 92 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



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The Twenty-fifth Legislature

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

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 92	Committee Referral: EBM, CPC	Date: Feb. 25, 2010		
<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)				
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)	6			5
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: _____ 				
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