

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1283

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 27, 2009

RE: S.B. No. 178
S.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 Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 178, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD WASTE RECYCLING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to facilitate the reduction of food waste by requiring the Department of Education (DOE), in partnership with the Department of Health (DOH), to establish a three-year food waste recycling pilot project in one or more public schools.

DOE supported this bill. DOH opposed this bill.

DOE projects that a food waste recycling operation, such as an on-site composting bin program that is contracted out to a private entity for three years, would cost approximately \$100,000. If existing DOE staff operates the composting bin program, the projected cost would be about \$30,000. However, DOE does not have the staff to segregate waste and operate the bin. Your Committee finds that the funding and contracting or increasing DOE staffing issues surrounding the pilot project must be addressed and resolved before any meaningful action can be taken on this bill.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and

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purpose of S.B. No. 178, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy &
Environmental Protection,

Hermina Morita

HERMINA MORITA, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: SBI 78, SD 1	Committee Referral: EDN, EEP, FIN	Date: 3-24-09		
<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)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MORITA, Hermina M. (C)	✓			
2. COFFMAN, Denny (VC)	✓			
3. CABANILLA, Rida	✓			
4. CHANG, Jerry L.	✓			
5. CHONG, Pono	✓			
6. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
7. HERKES, Robert N.	✓			
8. ITO, Ken	✓			
9. LEE, Chris	✓			
10. LUKE, Sylvia	✓			
11. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓			
12. CHING, Corinne W.L.	✓			
13. THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL (13)	13	0	0	0
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: <u><i>Denny Coffman</i></u>				
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