

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2081

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB - 9 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2361
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2361 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTE STREAM REDUCTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require telephone directories to be distributed only to persons who have signed a written authorization to receive the directory.

Testimony in support was submitted by one organization and one individual. Three organizations submitted testimony in opposition. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that Oahu's solid waste has increased at ten times the rate of population growth, thus, strict measures to reduce Hawaii's waste stream are essential. However, your Committee recognizes the efforts of telephone directory distributors to reduce waste through the implementation of opt-out programs and recycling. Approximately fourteen thousand local businesses advertise in the Hawaiian Telcom Yellow Pages, and studies have found that eighty-five per cent of adults reference telephone directories at least once per year. Your Committee believes this measure provides users ample opportunity to continue receiving telephone directories, while minimizing the number of unwanted telephone directories.



Your Committee has amended this measure by exempting telephone directory distributors that implement opt-out or opt-in programs.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2361, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2361, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committees on Commerce and Consumer Protection and Judiciary and Government Operations.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy and
Environment,

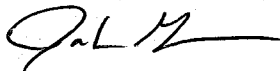


MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Energy and Environment
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2361	Committee Referral: ENE, CPN/JGO	Date: 2/4/10		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)				✓
GREEN, M.D., Josh	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les				✓
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				✓
HEMMINGS, Fred			✓	
TOTAL	3	0	1	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">  </div>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes