

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2197

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2702
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 Public Safety and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2702 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A MAJOR DISASTER TRUST ACCOUNT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow federal reimbursement moneys for disaster relief to be deposited into a trust account for disaster relief.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the one government entity. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Current law in section 37-41, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires that unexpended appropriations be returned to the general fund. The State Department of Defense pays disaster relief expenses out of operating funds to be later reimbursed from federal funds which would lapse into the general fund. The intent of this measure is to allow federal reimbursements to be held in a trust account to ensure that these funds do not lapse at the end of the fiscal year. This measure would preserve federal funds in a trust account to be available for expenditure on disaster relief.

Your Committee has amended this measure by explicitly stating that federal reimbursement funds in the trust account for disaster



relief shall not lapse into the general fund, and making technical, nonsubstantive amendments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2702, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2702, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety and
Military Affairs,



WILL ESPERO, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fifth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs
PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2702	Committee Referral: PSM, WAMA	Date: 2-9-10		
<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
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
BUNDA, Robert (VC)				/
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓			
TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes