

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1513  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1513, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED STRATEGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to continue and expand the "weed and seed" strategy to prevent, control, and reduce violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity in Hawaii.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Establishes a permanent weed and seed program within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; and
- (2) Appropriates funds to maintain and expand the operations of the weed and seed program.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Mila Kahaanui, Executive Director, Office of Community Services, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Kelli Buenconsejo, RN, Leeward Oahu Nursing Office, Department of Health; Michael F. Broderick, President and Chief Executive Officer, YMCA of Honolulu; Glenn Muranaka, President and General Manager, Meadow Gold Dairies; Sharene Saito Tam, Assistant Vice President, Haseko Development, Inc.; Walter Osakoda, Treasurer, Waipahu Community Association; Carol Brack, Executive Vice President and Property Manager, Waipahu Town Center; Ala Moana-



Sheridan-McCully, Waipahu, and Ewa Weed and Seed Committees; Paul S. Taga, Principal, Waipahu Elementary School; Gale Mejia, Waipahu Project Director, GEAR UP; Frances Rivero, Director, Hale Pono Clubhouse; and 1521 individuals.

Your Committee received comments on the measure from Dwight Y. Takamine, Director, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

Your Committee finds that the collaborative strategy of the weed and seed program has proven successful in one hundred fifteen sites across the nation, including the six Oahu-based sites. This measure will enable the State to expand the program and improve its efforts to prevent violent crimes, drug abuse, and gang activity throughout Hawaii.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2117, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive change for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1513, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1513, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.


Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1513, HD1, SD1	JDL, WAM	4-1-11		
<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
IGE, David Y. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				/
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KAHELE, Gilbert	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	/			
RYAN, Pohai	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	12	0	0	2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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