

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 294

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 15, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 952

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.B. No. 952 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL LANDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to maximize the use of public school lands and to generate income to construct, repair, and retrofit public schools to meet the challenges of the 21st century and beyond. Specifically, this bill:

- (1) Establishes the Public School Lands Trust, to which all public school trust lands from the Department of Education (DOE) are to be transferred;
- (2) Establishes the Public School Lands Trust Commission (Commission) within the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) for administrative purposes, to manage, administer, and control the Public School Lands Trust;
- (3) Requires the Commission to, among other things, identify underutilized public school lands and sites with redevelopment potential, develop plans to redevelop public school lands, and develop plans for generating revenues from public school trust lands;
- (4) Establishes the Public School Lands Trust Permanent Fund (Permanent Fund) and School Facilities Special Fund; and

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- (5) Requires a portion of the proceeds generated by redevelopment projects to be deposited into the Permanent Fund.

The Hawaii State Teachers Association, the Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs opposed this measure. DLNR, DOE, and the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 952 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

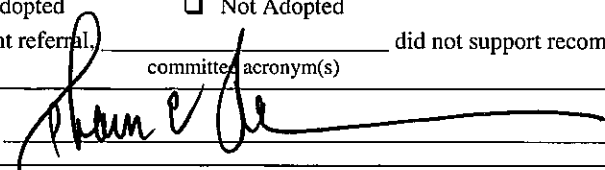
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, &
Ocean Resources,



JERRY I. CHANG Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 952	Committee Referral: EDN, WLO, FIN	Date: 2/11/11		
<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)				
WLO Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CHANG, Jerry L. (C)	✓			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	✓			
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				✓
4. CARROLL, Mele				✓
5. CHONG, Pono	✓			
6. COFFMAN, Denny				✓
7. HERKES, Robert N.				✓
8. ITO, Ken	✓			
9. MORITA, Hermina M.				✓
10. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	✓			
11. RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
12. THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL (12)	7			5
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. _____ committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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