

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1280

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 1, 2011

RE: H.R. No. 157

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.R. No. 157 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPLICATION FOR, GRANTING OF, AND FISCAL SUPPORT FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND EMERGENCY PREVENTION EFFORTS FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAII AND THE COUNTY OF MAUI IN THE WAKE OF THE MARCH 2011 TSUNAMI,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to support the counties affected by the March 10, 2011, tsunami generated by the Japanese earthquake by, among other things:

- (1) Requesting the Counties of Hawaii and Maui to apply for the maximum amount of federal relief funds available and to cover the requisite cost share for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's public assistance program and individual assistance program;
- (2) Requesting the State to assist the affected counties by maximizing available matching funds for federal reimbursements;
- (3) Assembling a task force to expedite relief to the affected counties;
- (4) Urging the United States Congress to refrain from making cuts to the Pacific Tsunami Alert System; and

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- (5) Expediting building permits for the affected counties so victims can rebuild.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 157 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



for HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



