

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2011

RE: H.R. No. 76

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.R. No. 76 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE PEST CONTROL BOARD TO DEVELOP STANDARDS FOR PEST CONTROL OPERATORS AND TERMITE INSPECTION REPORTS, AND TO ADOPT THOSE STANDARDS PRIOR TO THE CONVENING OF THE 2013 REGULAR SESSION OF THE HAWAII LEGISLATURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Pest Control Board to develop standards for pest control operators and termite inspection report standards prior to the 2012 Regular Session. This measure also requests that the Pest Control Board submit a progress report to the 2012 Legislature on the rules relating to pest control operators and standards for termite inspection reports.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Pest Control Board, and three concerned individuals. The Hawaii Pest Control Association submitted comments.

Your Committee finds that industry standards provide little guidance to pest control operators when conducting a termite inspection. As a result, many times the information provided in real estate transaction termite inspection reports do not provide adequate information regarding possible termite infestations. Your Committee believes that the Pest Control Board should develop

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uniform standards for pest control operators and termite inspection reports to provide guidance for the pest control industry and to inform consumers of possible termite infestations.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 76 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ROBERT N. HERKES, Chair



