

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3306

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 05 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2113
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2113, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make it unlawful to sell, offer for sale, distribute, possess, ignite, or otherwise use aerial luminaries, also known as sky lanterns, Hawaii lanterns, or flying luminaries.

Written comments in support of this measure were received from the Maui Fire Department, County of Maui; and Kauai Fire Department, County of Kauai.

Your Committee finds that imposing a ban on the aerial luminaries will protect the health and safety of the community and livestock. The aerial luminaries pose a fire threat because they are essentially open flame devices, which can land on vegetation, buildings, and power lines. The aerial luminaries can also cause death or serious injury to livestock when aerial luminary remains are consumed. Aerial luminaries have reportedly been banned in Georgia, Australia, and parts of Germany. Your Committee finds it appropriate to ban these devices in Hawaii.

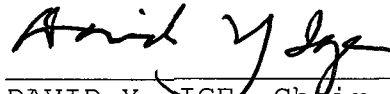
As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B.

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No. 2113, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB2113 HDI SDI	Committee Referral: FGM/JDL, WAM	Date: 3-29-12		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input 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	/			
TOTAL	13	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:right; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Michelle N. Kidani</div>				
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