

Honolulu, Hawaii

**Feb 14**, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2726

H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2012  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2726  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reduce pet overpopulation  
and support the benefits of pet population control in the State by  
establishing:

- (1) The Spay and Neuter Special Fund into which funds from  
an income tax check-off will be deposited; and
- (2) An advisory committee to assist the Department of Budget  
and Finance in establishing eligibility criteria and  
procedures for disbursement from the Spay and Neuter  
Special Fund.

The Humane Society of the United States, Hawaiian Humane  
Society, Boxer Club of Hawaii, Equine 808 Horse Rescue, Hui Pono  
Holoholona, Hawaii Cat Foundation, Three Ring Ranch, and numerous  
individuals testified in support of the measure. The Department  
of Budget and Finance, Department of Taxation, and Tax Foundation  
of Hawaii commented on the measure.

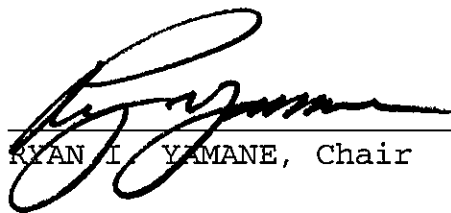
Your Committee has amended this measure by specifying that  
the members of the advisory committee shall serve on a voluntary  
basis and without compensation.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2726, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2726, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Health,



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RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

**HSCR 355-12**

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Health**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 2726</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HLT, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2-7-2012</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	✓			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				✓
4. HANOHANO, Faye P.	✓			
5. JORDAN, Jo				✓
6. LEE, Chris	✓			
7. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
8. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
9. CHING, Corinne W.L.				✓
10. PINE, Kymberly Marcos				✓
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>4</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <i>JM</i>				
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