

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 744

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 744
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DAM SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect public health and
safety by:

- (1) Creating the Dam Safety Task Force (Task Force) to
review applicable laws, rules, and ordinances and
recommend actions to be taken by the engineering
division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources
(DLNR) in its administration of the Hawaii Dam Safety
Program;
- (2) Establishing the membership of the Task Force; and
- (3) Requiring the Task Force to report its findings and
recommendations to the Legislature.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, Hawaii Cattlemen's
Council, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii
Agriculture Research Center, and several concerned individuals
testified in support of this bill. DLNR, Alexander and Baldwin,
Inc., Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company, and Kauai Coffee
Company provided comments.

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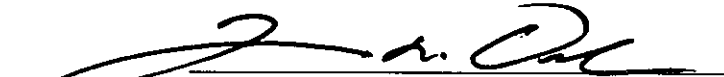
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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 744, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 744, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



