

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 295

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 15, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 976
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Tourism, to which was referred H.B. No. 976
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to specify that the transient
accommodations tax (TAT) collected should be the higher of \$8 per
day per unit or 7.25 percent of the gross proceeds, beginning July
1, 2011.

The Department of Taxation testified in support of this bill.
Marriott Vacation Club International opposed this measure.
Starwood Hotels and Resorts and the Tax Foundation of Hawaii
provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by assessing a TAT of \$4
per day per unit beginning on July 1, 2013.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Tourism that is attached to this report, your
Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No.
976, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading
in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 976, H.D. 1, and be
referred to the Committee on Finance.



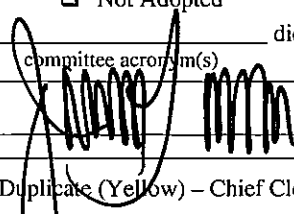
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Tourism,



TOM BROWER, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Tourism

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HB 976</i>	Committee Referral: <i>TOU, FIN</i>	Date: <i>02/07/11</i>		
<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)				
TOU Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BROWER, Tom (C)	✓			
2. TOKIOKA, James Kunane (VC)	✓			
3. AWANA, Karen L.	✓			
4. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
5. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
6. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.		✓		
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				✓
9. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
10. CHING, Corinne W.L.				✓
11. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.		✓		
TOTAL (11)	<i>7</i>	<i>2</i>		<i>2</i>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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