

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2011

RE: S.B. No. 145
S.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 145, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IRRIGATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriate the revenues derived therefrom to provide additional funding needed for the repair and maintenance of irrigation systems throughout the State.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Russell Kokubun, Chairperson, Department of Agriculture; Stephanie Whalen, Executive Director, Hawaii Agriculture Research Center; Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation; Dave Arakawa, Executive Director, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii; and Rodney Haraguchi.

Your Committee finds that sufficient funding to maintain and improve irrigation systems is needed to ensure that the State's crops receive a steady and dependable supply of water.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

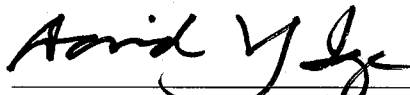
- (1) Authorizing the Director of Finance to issue an unspecified amount of general obligation bonds for the agricultural water use and development plan;



- (2) Changing all general obligation bond amounts to unspecified sums; and
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the issue.

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 S.B. No. 145, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 145, S.D. 2.

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

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB145 SD1	AGL/WLH, WAM	2/24/11		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" 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	12	0	0	2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Suzanne Chun Oakland</i>				
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