

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

574

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2011

RE: S.B. No. 171
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 Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 171, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make it unlawful to ignite, possess, sell, or otherwise use aerial luminaries, and to define "aerial luminary".

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the State Fire Council, Honolulu Fire Department, Kaua'i Fire Department, and Department of Fire and Public Safety of the County of Maui.

Your Committee finds that the uncontrolled release of aerial luminaries is a potential fire hazard that poses a risk of danger to life and property. Known generically as sky lanterns, aerial luminaries rise when a flame is lit and can reach altitudes of one thousand feet but are subject to wind conditions. They can land anywhere, such as on houses, in trees, or on power lines. Aerial luminaries were introduced in Hawaii in large numbers in 2010. Your Committee finds that this measure takes a proactive step in addressing fire hazards before they occur.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to allow for further discussion.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 171, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 171, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Labor,




CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Sixth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary and Labor
JDL

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB171, SD1	PGM, JDL	2/23/11		
<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
HEE, Clayton (C)	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile (VC)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les				✓
SLOM, Sam			✓	
TOTAL	3	0	1	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes