

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2402
S.D. 1
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 Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2402, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIGHT POLLUTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to preserve the quality of the night sky and its associated cultural, scientific, astronomical, natural, and landscape-related values and provide an environmentally friendly strategy for lighting in Hawaii. Specifically, this measure requires the establishment of a starlight reserve strategy by, among other things:

- (1) Requiring that all state agencies comply with shielded lighting fixture requirements beginning on July 1, 2014;
- (2) Prohibiting the sale or installation of new mercury vapor lamps after July 1, 2014;
- (3) Establishing parameters for retrofit work on, or shielding replacement of, existing lighting fixtures to meet the shielding requirements;
- (4) Stipulating conditions and parameters for lights where fully shielded light fixtures are not used;

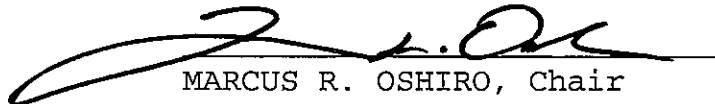


- (5) Establishing conditions under which installation of fully shielded replacement lighting fixtures for roads and highways shall take place and allowing for partially shielded lights that meet specified requirements to be used;
- (6) Specifying numerous exceptions to the shielded lighting requirements; and
- (7) Exempting counties with a population of less than 100,000 from this section.

The Department of Accounting and General Services; the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; the Department of Land and Natural Resources; the Department of Transportation; the University of Hawaii; and Historic Hawaii Foundation supported this measure. The Chair of the Starlight Reserve Committee commented on this measure.

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 S.B. No. 2402, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2402 SD1 HD1	Committee Referral: TRN, EEP/ERB, FIN	Date: 3/29/12		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	✓			
3. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
4. CULLEN, Ty		✓		
5. GIUGNI, Heather	✓			
6. HAR, Sharon E.		✓		
7. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
8. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
9. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
10. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	✓			
11. LEE, Chris	✓			
12. MORIKAWA, Dee		✓		
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
16. RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
17. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (17)	14	3	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Marilyn B. Lee</u>				
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