

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 2012

RE: S.R. No. 59

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, and Housing, to which was referred S.R. No. 59 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE OFFICE OF PLANNING TO TIMELY CONDUCT AND COMPLETE REGIONAL PLANS AND STUDIES AS REQUIRED BY STATUTE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the Office of Planning to complete regional plans and studies as required by statute in a timely manner.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Planning.

The Office of Planning's projects and programs are vital to the future of the State, and your Committee finds that it is important that the office meets its deadlines in a timely manner. Your Committee finds that although the Office of Planning's budget has diminished, it has managed to successfully acquire funds from other sources such as the federal government. However, your Committee understands that certain outside sources of funding have constraints, often including matching requirements. Your Committee recognizes the Office of Planning's efforts despite the office's decreasing budget and encourages the continuation of work toward the office's important mission to plan for the future of the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, and Housing that is attached to this

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report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 59 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, and
Housing,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



