

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 11, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1885
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1885 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to enhance opportunities for ocean and other recreation at Sand Island State Recreation Area by establishing the Sand Island Task Force within the Department of Land and Natural Resources to study the Sand Island Ocean Recreation Park Master Plan and appropriating funds for amenities at Sand Island and the operations of the State Parks Division.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources and one individual submitted comments on this measure.

Your Committee finds that this measure, as it was received by your Committee, created a task force and authorized expenditures based on a proposal that was never subjected to the necessary process to create an official Master Plan document and has never been considered by the Department as such. However, the Sand Island State Recreation Area is an important resource for the State and is one of the few locations available for ocean and land-based recreation for residents near Honolulu's urban core.



Therefore, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting provisions that would have created the Sand Island Task Force and funded activities, including the general operations of the State Parks Division, in accordance with the purported Master Plan;
- (2) Appropriating funds for infrastructure planning for the passive recreation portion of Sand Island State Recreation Area;
- (3) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1885, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1885, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water & Land,


CINDY EVANS, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

HSCR 3338-14

Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1885	Committee Referral: WAL, FIN	Date: 2-5-14		
<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)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. EVANS, Cindy (C)	/			
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)	/			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	/			
4. HANOHANO, Faye P.				/
5. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	/			
6. LEE, Chris	/			
7. SAY, Calvin K.Y.	/			
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				/
9. FALE, Richard Lee	/			
10. THIELEN, Cynthia	/			
TOTAL (10)	8			2
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:				
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