

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 10, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2621
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 Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 2621 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to expand the Procurement Policy Board's mandate to adopt rules regarding lost, stolen, damaged, unserviceable, or unsuitable property to include:

- (1) Time limits concerning issue reporting;
- (2) A duty for government agencies and contractors to cooperate in the investigation of raised issues; and
- (3) Penalties for failing to comply with these requirements.

An individual testified in support of this measure. The State Procurement Office provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the rulemaking authority to adopt penalties in section 103D-1202(3)(C), Hawaii Revised Statutes, because section 103D-1210, Hawaii Revised Statutes, already imposes penalties for violations under this part; and



- (2) Changing the effective date of this measure to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2621, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2621, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



