

Honolulu, Hawaii  
**March 31**, 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2633  
S.D. 1  
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 S.B. No. 2633, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PROPERTY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exempt private residences that have not been entered or nominated by the owner for entry onto the Hawaii register of historic places from inclusion as a historic property for purposes of review by the Department of Land and Natural Resources upon application for any land use-related permit or action.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Hawai'i Association of REALTORS, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, the Pacific Resource Partnership, Building Industry Association of Hawaii, and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Historic Hawai'i Foundation, the Society for Hawaiian Archeology, Hawaii's Thousand Friends, and several individuals. The Department of Land and Natural Resources submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the definition of "historic property" to refer to any property that is included in or eligible for the Hawaii register of historic places;


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- (2) Specifying that residential properties that are not historic properties and projects that have no potential to affect historic properties are not subject to permit or approval review by the Department of Land and Natural Resources and shall not be submitted for review;
- (3) Directing the Department of Land and Natural Resources to take steps to facilitate the implementation of this measure, including making lists of properties likely to be excluded or included, respectively, in review requirements and making a plan for an inventory of historic buildings in the State, to assist the counties in complying with this measure; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments, including adding a purpose section, 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 S.B. No. 2633, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2633, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

  
CINDY EVANS, Chair



