

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **219**

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 51
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 51 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for the construction of amenities included in the Sand Island Ocean Recreation Park master plan and to appropriate funds to the State Parks Division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources for general management and administration costs.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and one individual.

Your Committee finds that state planning in Hawaii needs to be more proactive and comprehensive and more adequately take into account the long-term consequences of plans and decisions.

Long-term planning is aimed at meeting future needs, usually estimated by extrapolation of present or known needs and projecting future desirable scenarios. Comprehensive planning describes a process that determines community goals and aspirations in terms of long-term community development. The outcome of comprehensive planning is a plan which dictates public policy in terms of transportation, utilities, land use, recreation, and housing. Comprehensive plans typically encompass



large geographical areas, a broad range of topics, and a long-term time horizon.

Your Committee believes that the appropriation in this measure for the construction of amenities included in the Sand Island Ocean Recreation Park master plan should be a long-term comprehensive master plan.

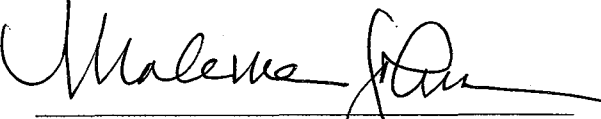
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding a purpose section to express legislative preference for planning to take a comprehensive, long-term approach instead of piecemeal, short-term, reactive planning;
- (2) Clarifying that the appropriation for Sand Island is for the construction of amenities to be included in a long-term comprehensive master plan for Sand Island;
- (3) Requiring the Department of Land and Natural Resources and the Sand Island Business Association to negotiate an even, fair, and equitable exchange of Sand Island Industrial Park property for other private properties, to be completed on or before June 30, 2014, and to report their progress in negotiating the exchange quarterly to the Legislature;
- (4) Changing the effective date to upon approval, except for the appropriation sections, which shall be effective on July 1, 2013; and
- (5) 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 and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 51, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 51, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.



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


MALAMA SOLOMON, Chair



