

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

385

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 19, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 1259

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Tourism, to which was referred H.B. No. 1259 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to enhance the operational effectiveness and efficiency of the Hawaii Tourism Authority (HTA) by making permanent certain statutory provisions, originally enacted in 2004, that grant the HTA independent management and oversight authority over its own financial operations.

The Hawaii Tourism Authority supported this measure with amendments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding a provision to increase the portion of the Tourism Special Fund that may be used for HTA's administrative expenses; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to promote further discussion.

HB1259 HD1 HSCR TOU HMS 2015-1831



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Tourism that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1259, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1259, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Tourism,



TOM BROWER, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

**HSCR 785**

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Tourism**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 1259</b>	Committee Referral: <b>TOU, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/11/15</b>		
<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)				
TOU Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BROWER, Tom (C)	✓			
2. OHNO, Takashi (VC)	✓			
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.	✓			
4. CHOY, Isaac W.				✓
5. ITO, Ken				✓
6. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	✓			
7. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
8. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
10. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
11. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
12. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
13. WARD, Gene	✓			
<b>TOTAL (13)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Takashi Ohno</i></u>				
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