

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

888

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 145
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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 145, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a refundable income tax credit for costs incurred by qualified cigar producers in Hawaii.

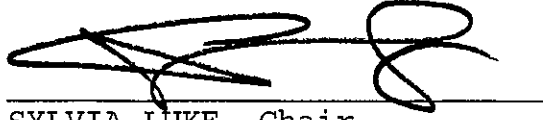
The Kauai Cigar Company, Hawaii Cigar Association, Hawaii Food Industry Association, Hawaii Farm Bureau, and numerous individuals supported this measure. The Department of Health; Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawaii; Cigar Association of America, Inc.; American Heart Association; and an individual opposed this measure. The Department of the Attorney General, Department of Taxation, and Tax Foundation of Hawaii commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 145, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

HB145 HD1 HSCR FIN HMS 2015-2458



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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 145, HD1	Committee Referral: CEC, FIN	Date: 3/4/15		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	/			
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.	/			
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.		/		
5. DECOITE, Lynn	/	/		
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/	/		
7. JORDAN, Jo		/		
8. KEOHOKALO LE, Jarrett		/		
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	/		/	
10. LOWEN, Nicole E.	/	/		
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.		/		
12. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/	/		
13. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/	/		
14. POUHA, Feki		/		
15. WARD, Gene		/		
TOTAL (15)	6	8	1	
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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