

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 8, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2055

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business, to which was referred H.B. No. 2055 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY FOR THE NATURAL ENERGY LABORATORY OF HAWAII AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect public health and safety, particularly with regard to nearshore waters and areas surrounding the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority, by authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds for the design and construction of a wastewater treatment plant for the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority.

A concerned individual testified in support of this measure. The Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority provided comments.

The Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority currently has oversight of the Hawaii Ocean Science and Technology Park on the island of Hawaii, which provides an environment for ocean related research, aquaculture, and education. Tenants of the Park currently use high volumes of seawater supplied by the Authority, which produces seawater that must be disposed of. Other wastewater is also produced by tenants and their employees. While the Authority informed your Committee that seawater disposal is currently handled through dispensing of the water in drywells or trenches and that installation of Department of Health permitted

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septic systems is required by Park lease agreements for the disposal of other types of wastewater, your Committee finds that this matter deserves further consideration.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2055 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Water & Land.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Business,



DEREK S.K. KAWAKAMI, Chair



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The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Economic Development & Business

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2055	Committee Referral: EDB, WAL, FIN	Date: 2 FEB 16		
<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)				
EDB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K. (C)	✓			
2. KONG, Sam Satoru (VC)	✓			
3. BROWER, Tom	✓			
4. CACHOLA, Romy M.	✓			
5. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
6. DeCOITE, Lynn	✓			
7. ITO, Ken	✓			
8. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
9. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
10. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
11. TSUJI, Cliff	✓			
12. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
13. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
14. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (14)	14			
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: 0.8em;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Gene Ward</i></u>				
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