

Honolulu, Hawaii  
February 19, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2145  
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2145, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BEACHES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to enable the beneficial use of locally sourced beach sand to support sediment management projects to mitigate erosion on Hawaii's beaches by specifying that naturally occurring sand that is moved from a beach, stream mouth, or channel and used on an adjacent beach for sediment management, erosion management, and beach or dune restoration purposes shall not be considered a water pollutant for the purposes of determining infractions of State water pollution laws.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources and a concerned individual supported this measure. The Department of Health opposed the measure. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that the naturally occurring beach sand must be clean; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2145, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2145, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Energy &  
Environmental Protection,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



