

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1670-16

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 8, 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2618
S.D. 1
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 Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2618, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to examine potential avenues for the enhancement of interisland transportation in the State by requiring and providing funding for the Department of Transportation to conduct a feasibility study on the establishment of an interisland ferry system.

The Department of Transportation, Hawaii Farm Bureau, Hawaii Lodging & Tourism Association, Building Industry Association of Hawaii, and Ulupono Initiative testified in support of this measure. Aloha Analytics and a few individuals testified in opposition to this measure. The Grassroot Institute of Hawaii provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

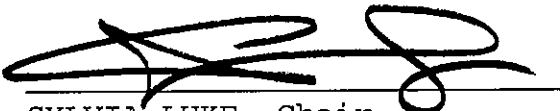
- (1) Specifying that the Department of Transportation study should examine the feasibility of an interisland and intra-island ferry system, rather than just an interisland ferry system; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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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 S.B. No. 2618, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2618, S.D. 1, H.D. 2.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



