

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 1, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 600
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 600 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to promote ocean health by prohibiting the sale, offer for sale, or distribution for sale of sunscreen or personal care products containing oxybenzone.

The Democratic Party of Hawaii, Sierra Club of Hawaii, West Hawaii Humane Society, Hawaii Association for Behavior Analysis, Conservation Council for Hawaii, Haereticus Environmental Laboratory, Surfrider Foundation, and many individuals supported this measure. The Department of Health supported the intent of this measure. The Hawaii Food Industry Association, Personal Care Products Council, and Consumer Healthcare Products Association opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to January 28, 2081, to encourage further discussion.

Should your Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce deliberate this measure further, your Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection respectfully requests that the Department of Health and Department of Land and Natural Resources provide

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more information regarding oxybenzone to the Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce.

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. 600, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 600, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



