

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 6, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1570

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. 1570 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide persons renting cars in Hawaii with the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution toward the protection of the State's unique environment.

Specifically, this measure requires lessors of rental motor vehicles to include an option for the lessee in the rental agreement to contribute a sum to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the preservation and protection of the environment.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Transportation, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaiian Islands Land Trust, Sierra Club of Hawaii, The Trust for Public Land, and several individuals supported this measure. Enterprise Holdings opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2020; and
- (2) Removing its sunset provisions.



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. 1570, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1570, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Transportation.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



