

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 6, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2411  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business, to which was referred H.B. No. 2411 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to stimulate and diversify Hawaii's economy by:

- (1) Clarifying that brewpub and small craft producer pub licensees may conduct liquor sales at multiple, appropriately licensed premises;
- (2) Specifying that brewpubs and small craft producer pubs may sell malt beverages in growlers that may be recyclable containers of up to one gallon; and
- (3) Permitting direct shipping of malt beverages and spirits under the same conditions as are currently permitted for direct shipment of wine.

Honolulu Beerworks, Maui Brewing Company, Kohola Brewery, Big Island Brewhaus, Waikiki Brewing Company, Hawaiian Craft Brewers Guild, Kauai Beer Company, Kauai Island Brewing Company, REAL a gastropub, Bent Tail Brewing Company, Lanikai Brewing Company, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The



Liquor Commission of the City and County of Honolulu and Department of Liquor Control of the County of Kauai provided comments.

Your Committee notes that concerns were raised by the Liquor Commission of the City and County of Honolulu regarding proper licensing of certain liquor establishments and the impacts this measure may have on the licensing process. However, your Committee also understands that the proponents of this measure have been working with the Liquor Commission to develop language to address these concerns. As licensing requirements would fall under the purview of the Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, your Committee has requested the relevant parties to continue crafting compromise language acceptable to both parties to present to the Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce so that further discussion can continue on this matter.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2112, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 2411, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2411, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

  
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CINDY EVANS, Chair



