Honolulu, Hawaii

February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2540

H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 2540, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CESSPOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reduce nonpoint contamination source pollution created by cesspools by establishing the Hawaii Cesspool Remediation and Conversion Loan Program (Cesspool Remediation Program) to provide low interest loans for the upgrade or conversion of cesspools to septic systems or aerobic treatment unit systems or for connection of cesspools to existing sewer systems or other wastewater system as approved by the Department of Health.

The Department of Environmental Services of the City and County of Honolulu, Department of Environmental Management of the County of Hawaii, Coral Reef Alliance, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and many concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Health provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Authorizing, rather than requiring, the Department of Health to provide low interest loans through the Cesspool Remediation Program; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2540, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2540, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health & Human Services,

JOHN M. MIZUNO,

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health & Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: Committee HB 2540, HD 1 EEP	e Referral:	Date:	2-14-1	8
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HHS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MIZUNO, John M. (C)	/			-
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)				
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3. BELATTI, Della Au				
4. LEARMONT, Lei R.				
5. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				
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TOTAL (5)	5		_	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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