

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2540, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CESSPOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

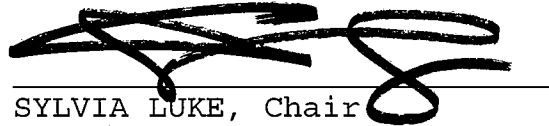
The purpose of this measure is to reduce nonpoint contamination source pollution created by cesspools by establishing the Hawaii Cesspool Remediation and Conversion Loan Program, which authorizes the Department of Health, in coordination with each county water and sewage department, to provide low interest 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.

The Councilmembers representing District 4 and District 9 of the Hawaii County Council, Hawaii Leeward Planning Conference, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 142, and several concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Health, City and County of Honolulu Department of Environmental Services, and Honolulu Board of Water Supply provided comments.



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 H.B. No. 2540, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



