

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 8, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2706
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 Veterans, Military, & International
Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.B. No.
2706 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL MOON BASE
ALLIANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to diversify Hawaii's economy
and promote the space industry in Hawaii by creating the
International Moon Base Alliance within the Office of Aerospace
Development of the Department of Business, Economic Development
and Tourism to:

- (1) Provide recommendations and guidance for the development
of an evolvable lunar architecture on the Island of
Hawaii; and
- (2) Plan, organize, and host an international lunar
development summit.

The Maui Economic Development Board, Chair of the Aerospace
States Association's Space Exploration Committee, Oahu County
Committee Legislative Priorities Committee of the Democratic Party
of Hawaii, Kelso Aerospace, and several concerned individuals
testified in support of this measure. The Department of Business,



Economic Development and Tourism and a concerned individual testified in opposition to this measure. The Pacific International Space Center for Explorations Systems and Aerospace States Association provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Establishing the International Moon Base Alliance as a stand-alone entity rather than statutorily placing it within the Office of Aerospace Development of the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism;
- (2) Amending the membership of the International Moon Base Alliance to include additional members;
- (3) Deleting language requiring the International Moon Base Alliance to plan, organize, and host an international lunar development summit;
- (4) Inserting language requiring the International Moon Base Alliance to hold its first organizational teleconference by August 1, 2018 and to present a strategic plan for a prototype moon base development to the Governor and the Legislature prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019;
- (5) Inserting an unspecified appropriation for the International Moon Base Alliance to guide the development and implementation of a prototype moon base on the island of Hawaii to be expended by the Office of Aerospace Development;
- (6) Changing its effective date to June 15, 2215, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (7) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2706, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second



Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2706, H.D. 1, and
be referred to your Committee on Economic Development & Business.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Veterans,
Military, & International
Affairs, & Culture and the
Arts,


MATTHEW S. LOPRESTI, Chair



