

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 467

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 16, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 838

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 Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 838 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER SECURITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the Water Security Advisory Group Pilot Program, established in Act 172, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, by:

- (1) Allowing for a state audit of contractors, third parties, and independent non-profit entities that receive funds through the program; and
- (2) Providing that the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint certain members of the Water Security Advisory Group.

The Department of Agriculture, Honolulu Board of Water Supply, Hawaii Farm Bureau, and two concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources and Hawaii Fresh Water Council provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring rather than allowing contractors and other third parties, including independent non-profit

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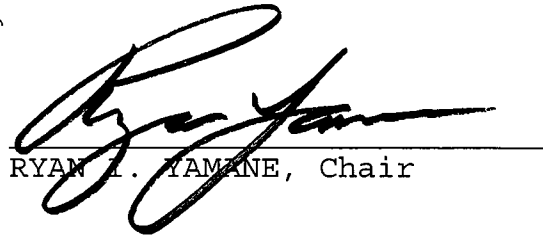


entities, who receive funds to be subject to a state audit;

- (2) Removing the requirement that the annual report on the program be submitted to the Governor; and
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 838, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 838, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water & Land,



RYAN L. YAMANE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-ninth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 838	Committee Referral: WAL FIN	Date: Feb 10, 2017		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	✓			
2. KONG, Sam Satoru (VC)	✓			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	✓			
4. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
5. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
6. LEE, Chris	✓			
7. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
8. SAY, Calvin K.Y.	✓			
9. FUKUMOTO, Beth	✓			
TOTAL (9)	9			
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <div style="text-align: center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">James S. King</div>				
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