

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2663
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2663 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to codify the State's commitment to conservation and sustainability by including goal two, zero hunger, of the seventeen United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and indicators, with references to existing state sustainability programs, if applicable, in the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Department of Agriculture, Office of Planning, Airport Concessionaires Committee, Oahu Economic Development Board, and Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii has been a leader in conservation efforts for decades, through its commitment to environmental and sustainability policies, and that a priority of the Senate for the Regular Session of 2018 is to adopt United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals at the state level. The seventeen Sustainable Development Goals are a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that all



people enjoy peace and prosperity. This measure codifies Sustainable Development Goal two, zero hunger, into state law.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Codifying Sustainable Development Goal two into chapter 226, Hawaii Revised Statutes, instead of chapter 344, Hawaii Revised Statutes; 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 Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2663, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2663, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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



JOSH GREEN, Chair



