

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2955**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 15 2018**

RE: S.R. No. 11

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and  
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.R. No. 11 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION ENDORSING AND ADOPTING, AND URGING THE  
SEVERAL COUNTIES TO ENDORSE AND USE, THE UNITED NATIONS  
SEVENTEEN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS AS COMPONENTS OF A  
FRAMEWORK FOR ADDRESSING AND ASSESSING HAWAII'S EFFORTS  
TOWARD SOCIAL JUSTICE AND SUSTAINABILITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Engage, endorse, accept, and adopt the United Nations  
seventeen sustainable development goals as components of  
a framework for addressing and assessing Hawaii's  
efforts toward social justice and sustainability; and
- (2) Urge the county councils to endorse and use the United  
Nations seventeen sustainable development goals as  
measurements for each county's efforts regarding people,  
peace, and the planet.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the  
Democratic Party of Hawaii, Hawaii Institute for Human Rights, and  
one individual.



Your Committee finds that in September 2015, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the historic 2030 Development Agenda, *Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*, a comprehensive, creative, and courageous plan of action to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity, that includes seventeen sustainable development goals and one hundred sixty-nine associated targets. The seventeen sustainable development goals are a set of universal goals produced to meet the most urgent environmental, political, and economic challenges of the world and build upon and replace the millennium development goals that started a global effort in 2000 to tackle the indignity of poverty.

Your Committee further finds that a priority of the Senate for the Regular Session of 2018 is to adopt the United Nations' sustainable development goals at the state level and urges the county councils to similarly endorse and use the sustainable development goals at the county level.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 11 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental, and Military  
Affairs,



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CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



