

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1142  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 1142 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to provide funds for the demolition and removal of structures at Uncle Billy's in Hilo, Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of the Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that Uncle Billy's operated as a 145-room hotel on Banyan Drive in Hilo, Hawaii, beginning in the 1960s and abruptly closed in June of 2017 after county inspectors advised that the building must be vacated due to safety concerns. The hotel closed, and the site is planned for redevelopment as a new hotel. The derelict structures present a public health and safety issue, are a blight on Banyan Drive, and must be removed before any improvements can be made to the land. Therefore, your Committee supports funding the removal of these structures.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1142, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1142, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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




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KAIALI'I KAHELE, Chair



The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Water and Land**  
**WTL**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 1142</b>	Committee Referral: <b>WTL, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2/1/2019</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <sup>KK</sup> Pass, with amendments 2311				
<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310				
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (C)	/			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)				/
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>1</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted				
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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