

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1718

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 2019

RE: S.R. No. 45  
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 Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,  
to which was referred S.R. No. 45 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING PUBLIC WATER AND SEWER  
UTILITIES TO CONSIDER THE DISRUPTION TO TRAFFIC AND  
TRANSPORTATION AS A CRITERION IN PLANNING FUTURE  
MAINTENANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request public  
water and sewer utilities to consider the disruption to traffic  
and transportation as a criterion in planning future maintenance.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply and  
O'ahu County Democrats Committee on Legislative Priorities.

Your Committee finds that more than one thousand five hundred  
water main breaks were reported from 2012 to 2017. Traffic  
mitigation efforts to alleviate the flow of traffic are often done  
improperly and interrupt daily commutes. This measure therefore  
requests public water and sewer utilities to consider the  
disruption to traffic and transportation as a criterion for  
planning future maintenance to help mitigate traffic congestion  
and delays.



Your Committee notes that the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply has a pipeline replacement prioritization program that considers a number of criteria when evaluating risk of failure and identifying the high risk pipelines that should be replaced first. The age of the pipe, type and size of the water main or pipe, depth, growth of corrosion, soil corrosion, and location and number of breaks are among the criteria. A Water Master Plan adopted in October 2016 provides a roadmap for long-term water system planning on Oahu for the next thirty years. The plan is intended to be an amendable document, allowing for flexibility in its implementation through periodic updates and adjustment of projects as conditions and needs change.

Your Committee also notes the testimony from the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply, that sewer utilities are not within the purview of the Board of Water Supply. Therefore, amendments to this measure are necessary.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that public water utilities are requested to consider the disruption to traffic and transportation as a criterion in planning future maintenance, rather than public water and sewer utilities;
- (2) Updating the title to reflect its amended purpose; and
- (3) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 45, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 45, S.D. 1.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Commerce, Consumer  
Protection, and Health,



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ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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SR 45	CPH	3/20/19
<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"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/	
CHANG, Stanley (VC)		/
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	/	
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/	
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	/	
THIELEN, Laura H.	/	
FEVELLA, Kurt		/
<b>TOTAL</b>	5	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
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