

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 12, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1546
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1546
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the
University of Hawaii to allow for the scaling up of research on
mosquito eradication and the development of a coordinated plan for
statewide eradication.

The University of Hawaii, O'ahu County Committee on
Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and one
individual testified in support of this measure. One individual
testified in opposition to this measure. The Department of Land
and Natural Resources provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the coordinated plan to be developed
between the University of Hawaii and the appropriate
state agencies shall include an assessment of the
variety of genetic tools available and options to be
used; and

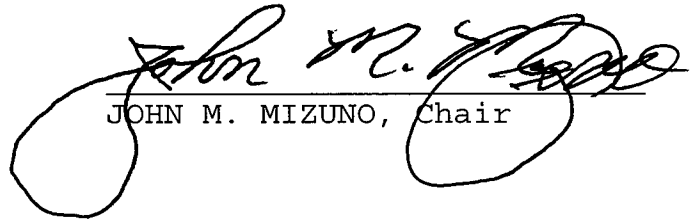


- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to promote further discussion.

Your Committee notes that your Committee on Lower and Higher Education may wish to be a part of the referral pattern for this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1546, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1546, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,



JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



