

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1459

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 20 , 2019

RE: S.B. No. 1242
S.D. 2
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 Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 1242, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL GOALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the solid waste management goals by repealing outdated goals and adding an updated goal of reducing total solid waste prior to disposal, by any means, by seventy percent by 2030.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Zero Waste O'ahu, Ulupono Initiative, Kokua Hawaii Foundation, Sierra Club of Hawai'i, and an individual supported this measure. The Department of Health opposed this measure. The Department of Environmental Services of the City and County of Honolulu and Sustainable Coastlines Hawaii provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the goal of the State is a reduction of the solid waste stream prior to disposal by seventy percent by January 1, 2030;

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- (2) Including language establishing the goal of the State to achieve source reduction by fifty percent by 2030, with 2014 as the base year for calculating progress towards this goal; and
- (3) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2100, to encourage further discussion.

Your Committee notes that clarification is needed on identifying the base year for calculating the progress of reducing the solid waste stream prior to disposal by seventy percent by January 1, 2030.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1242, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1242, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy &
Environmental Protection,


NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair



