

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAY 11, 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2788  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military  
Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2788, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISASTER RELIEF,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide continued aid for  
disaster relief in response to the April 2018 flooding in the  
County of Kauai and in other areas of the State by extending by  
one year the lapse date of the appropriation made for this relief  
pursuant to Act 12, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, as amended by Act  
35, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019 (Act 12).

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Hawaii  
Emergency Management Agency, Waioli Valley Taro Hui, and one  
individual.

Your Committee understands that the Department of Land and  
Natural Resources sustained substantial damage to its facilities  
in Kauai due to the heavy rains and flooding events in April 2018.  
The Department received funds pursuant to Act 12 for recovery  
response for several locations and facilities and is currently  
implementing those projects. Additional time is needed to  
complete these and other flood response projects. Your Committee



supports these recovery efforts and finds that this measure will allow for work on not only Kauai, but also other areas of the State, including East Oahu, to continue to their completion.

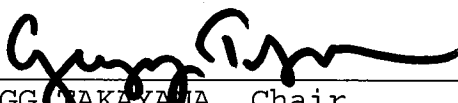
Your Committee notes that the companion to this measure, H.B. No. 1794, H.D. 2 (Regular Session of 2020), is preferable because it will assure the same level of funding appropriated by Act 12 for flood response projects and mitigation efforts and will allow for the appropriations to be extended for an additional three years.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by deleting its contents and inserting the contents of H.B. No. 1794, H.D. 2, a measure that:

- (1) Retains the appropriation amounts of \$100,000,000 for the County of Kauai and \$25,000,000 for other areas of the State;
- (2) Authorizes an extension through June 30, 2023, rather than June 30, 2021; and
- (3) Takes effect on June 29, 2020.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2788, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2788, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety,  
Veterans, & Military Affairs,

  
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GREGG NAKAYAMA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>SB2788 SPI</b>	Committee Referral: <b>PVM, FIN</b>	Date: <b>3/13/2020</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
PVM Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (C)	✓			
2. GATES, Cedric Asuega (VC)				✓
3. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.	✓			
4. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
5. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
6. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
7. McDERMOTT, Bob	✓			
<b>TOTAL (7)</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>1</b>
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> <u><i>Ad [Signature]</i></u>				
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