

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1588
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1588, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAZARD MITIGATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to mitigate natural disasters and other hazards.

Specifically, the measure:

- (1) Establishes the resilient Hawaii revolving loan fund into which shall be deposited federal moneys and other funds, and from which loans shall be provided to the counties and nonprofit organizations for local resilience projects that address the mitigation of hazards;
- (2) Requires the Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency to administer the Resilient Hawaii revolving loan fund and apply to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, under the provisions of the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act, Public Law 116-284, to capitalize the fund when funding is available; and
- (3) Appropriates moneys into and out of the resilient Hawaii revolving loan fund for the purposes of the measure,



including the establishment and hiring of staff within the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency.

Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services and Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that the federal Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Act, Public Law 116-284, enables states to lend moneys to local municipalities to conduct hazard mitigation and resiliency projects. Your Committee believes it is prudent for the State to establish a mechanism to utilize this and other federal funding opportunities.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2051, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1588, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1588, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

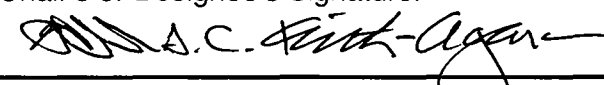
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-First Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 1588, HD1	Committee Referral: PSM, WAM	Date: 4/8/22		
<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
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	XXXX			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	XXXX			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				XXXX
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	XXXX			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	XXXX			
MISALUCHA, Bennette E.	XXXX			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	XXXX			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	XXXX			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	XXXX			
WAKAI, Glenn	XXXX			
FEVELLA, Kurt	XXXX			
TOTAL	10			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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