

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2606

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2022

RE: S.B. No. 1277

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 1277 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE  
MAPPING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish the environmental justice task force and an advisory council to develop high quality data relating to environmental justice concerns, identify environmental justice communities, and devise a method to correct for racist and unjust practices leading to historical and current environmental injustices.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Surfrider Foundation and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that environmental hazards cause disproportionate health outcomes for certain communities as a result of systemic injustices. Correcting those injustices requires detailed data on the extent of disproportionate outcomes and adverse effects. This measure develops a task force and advisory council to gather and disseminate data on disproportionate outcome and environmental injustices in the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture and Environment that is attached to this



report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1277 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Agriculture and  
Environment,



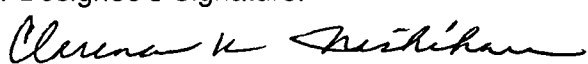
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MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-First Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Agriculture and Environment**  
**AEN**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 1277	AEN, JDO	02/07/22		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	/			
ACASIO, Laura	/			
RHOADS, Karl	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	5			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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