

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2611

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2054
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 Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2054 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Assess a climate change mitigation impact fee on every customer who rents, leases, or utilizes a rental motor vehicle; and
- (2) Establish a Climate Change Mitigation Special Fund.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from two members of the Maui County Council, Hawai'i State Association of Counties, Life of the Land, and Ulupono Initiative. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Avis Budget Group, Enterprise Holdings, Maui Hotel & Lodging Association, Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association, and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance, Department of Transportation, Department of the Attorney General, Office of Planning and Sustainable Development, and the Tax Foundation of Hawaii.

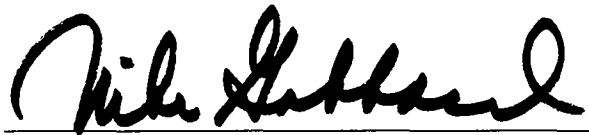


Your Committee finds that the tourism industry has significant effects on Hawaii's environment and public services. The effects of cars, buses, shuttles, and other road vehicles, which emit carbon, are especially pernicious to the State's environment. This measure imposes a climate change mitigation impact fee for the renting, leasing, or utilizing of tourism-related vehicles to help protect Hawaii's natural environment.

Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that all revenues from the fee will be deposited to the credit of the Climate Change Mitigation Special Fund.

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. 2054, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2054, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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




MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-First Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Agriculture and Environment
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| Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB 2054</i> | Committee Referral: <i>AEN, WAM</i> | Date: <i>02/14/22</i> | | |
| <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 |
| GABBARD, Mike (C) | / | | | |
| NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC) | / | | | |
| ACASIO, Laura | / | | | |
| RHOADS, Karl | / | | | |
| FEVELLA, Kurt | | | | / |
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| Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted | | | | |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature:  | | | | |
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