

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 17 , 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2662
S.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 2662, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION WASTE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a state and county bid preference for construction and demolition services that use the most recycled materials or recycle the most demolition materials;
- (2) Update the state building codes to include the latest edition of the International Green Construction Code; and
- (3) Set specific targets for the recycling, reuse, donation, and resale of non-hazardous construction waste.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Kauai Women's Caucus, Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Climate Protectors Hawai'i, Mokulua High Performance Builder, Hawai'i Gas, Re-use Hawai'i, and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the General Contractors Association of Hawaii



and Building Industry Association of Hawaii. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the State Procurement Office.

Your Committee finds that diversion and recycling of construction and demolition debris are best practices that can offer substantial benefits to the State. However, there are few incentives for public and private sector entities to invest in recycling processes and equipment for construction and demolition debris. This measure increases the amount of recyclable waste materials in the State, reducing landfill use and increasing the environmental sustainability efforts of the construction industry.

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. 2662, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair



