

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2471
H.D. 2
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2471, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSPECTIONS ON PUBLIC LAND,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a statutory framework for inspections of public land leases or licenses by the Department of Land and Natural Resources, including by third-party inspectors contracted by the Department.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committees find that under chapter 171, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the terms and conditions of the various land dispositions approved by the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) has the authority to periodically inspect the premises under lease, license, or revocable permit. However, the Department's land agents are typically not architects, engineers, or licensed contractors and may not be qualified to identify components of existing structures on the premises in need of repair or replacement. To address this, the House Investigative Committee established under House Resolution No. 164 (2021) recommended that the Department select third-party inspectors to conduct physical



inspections of leased properties at the expense of the lessee. This measure will ensure that long-term dispositions like leases and licenses are properly inspected and that all necessary corrective actions as determined by qualified inspectors are taken.

Your Committees have amended this measure by making it effective on July 1, 2024.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2471, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2471, H.D. 2, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Judiciary and
Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair


KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Second Legislature
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Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 2471 HD 2 SD1 HL	Committee Referral: WTL, JDC/WAM	Date: 3/28/2024		
<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)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo				X
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: _____				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes