

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1482

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism,
to which was referred S.B. No. 1482 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AEROSPACE DEVELOPMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish and appropriate funds to the Aerospace Development Office within the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation; Bushtex, Inc.; HNu Photonics, LLC; and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii's strategic near-equatorial location, substantial telemetry, space surveillance, Moon- and Mars-like terrain, resident expertise in a broad range of aerospace-related technologies, and long-standing ties with space-faring nations throughout the Asia-Pacific region are strategic assets and capabilities that can be leveraged to help realize humankind's full potential in space, and in doing so establish the State as a major contributor to and beneficiary of global space enterprise. Your Committee believes that establishing the Hawaii Office of Aerospace Development will provide a focal point within state government to facilitate dialogue and coordination among Hawaii's public, private, and academic sectors, and between state-based entities and public and private overseas organizations to



promote the growth and diversification of Hawaii's aerospace industry. This measure will allow the State to more efficiently direct its resources in the field of aerospace by establishing the Aerospace Development Office within the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation and making an appropriation to further its purpose.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1482 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy, Economic
Development, and Tourism,


LYNN DECOITE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 1482	Committee Referral: EET, WAM	Date: 2-14-23		
<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
DECOITE, Lynn (C)	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol				✓
KIM, Donna Mercado	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
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