

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1055

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 28**

, 2025

RE: H.B. No. 1120  
H.D. 2

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1120, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NUISANCES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify that the Department of Health has the legal authority and obligation to prevent and address nuisances that affect public health or environmental health.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that protecting public and environmental health is a fundamental responsibility of the Department of Health, particularly as climate change exacerbates environmental hazards and resource pressures. The relationship between community well-being and environmental conditions highlights the need for proactive measures to prevent health risks posed by nuisances such as pollution, toxic substances, and other hazardous conditions. This measure strengthens the Department of Health's authority to prevent and address nuisances that threaten public and environmental health, ensuring safer and healthier communities across the State.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1120, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1120, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Judiciary &  
Hawaiian Affairs,



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DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Thirty-third Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB1120 HD1	<b>Committee Referral:</b> HLT, JHA	<b>Date:</b> 02/26/2025		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)	✓			
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. COCHRAN, Elle				✓
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. KAHALOA, Kirstin				✓
7. PERRUSO, Amy A.	✓			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	✓			
9. TODD, Chris	✓			
10. GARCIA, Diamond	✓			
11. SHIMIZU, Garner M.	✓			
<b>TOTAL (11)</b>	9	0	0	2
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____				
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