STAND. COM. REP. NO.



Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 810 H.D. 1

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 810, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NOISE POLLUTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a private right of action for any person aggrieved by a violation of the Federal Aviation Act and existing federal laws to bring a civil action against the owner or operator of the helicopter in violation and collect damages and litigation costs.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Jack Harter Helicopters. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Transportation.

Your Committee finds that helicopter noise pollution is a significant issue impacting residents and communities in Hawaii, often creating disturbances that affect quality of life. This measure classifies helicopters as a public nuisance due to noise pollution and establishes a private right of action for individuals affected by violations of federal aviation laws, thereby empowering citizens to seek remedies for noise pollution relating to helicopters.

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 H.B. No. 810, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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

NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair

State of Hawaii



Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

| | tee Referral:), EEP, JHA | Da | te: 2/13/29 | |
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| ☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | |
| EEP Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. LOWEN, Nicole E. (C) | V | | | |
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| 2. PERRUSO, Amy A. (VC) | V | | | |
| 3. KAHALOA, Kirstin | | | | |
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| 4. KUSCH, Matthias | | V | | |
| 5. QUINLAN, Sean | | | | |
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| 6. WARD, Gene | | | | V |
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| The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: | | | | |
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