

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 6, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 369
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred H.B. No. 369 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a residential kitchen fire task force to:

- (1) Develop plans to address the dangers of residential kitchen fires; and
- (2) Report its findings and recommendations on reducing the occurrence and severity of residential kitchen fires, including any proposed legislation, to the 2014 Legislature.

The State Fire Council, Kauai Fire Department, County of Hawaii Fire Department, Department of Fire and Public Safety of the County of Maui, and the Hawaii Fire Chiefs Association supported this measure. The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs supported this measure with amendments. The Building Industry Association of Hawaii and two concerned individuals opposed this measure.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that certain members of the task force may be represented by a designee; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 369, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 369, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,


HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



