

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

687

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2011

RE: S.B. No. 34  
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 34, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAX APPEALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

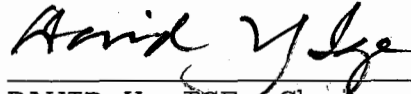
The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that pre-trial discovery is prohibited and the award of costs shall be limited in controversies adjudicated under the small claims procedure of the tax appeal court.

Your Committee finds that while pre-trial discovery is generally permitted in civil cases, small claims procedures are intended to handle claims quickly and inexpensively. Your Committee also finds that this measure will serve to make the small claims procedure of the tax appeal court consistent with those of other state courts.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 34, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,



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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 34, SD1	JDL, WAM	2-25-11
<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
IGE, David Y. (C)	/	
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/	
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/	
ESPERO, Will	/	
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/	
KIM, Donna Mercado	/	
KAHELE, Gilbert	/	
KOUCHI, Ronald D.		/
RYAN, Pohai	/	
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/	
WAKAI, Glenn	/	
SLOM, Sam	/	
<b>TOTAL</b>	13	0
		0
		1
Recommendation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
Michelle N. Kidani		
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