

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

195

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 2011

RE: S.B. No. 627
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 Water, Land, and Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 627 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC LANDS
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to create the Hawaii Public Lands Development Corporation to make optimal use of public lands for the economic, environmental, and social benefit of the people of Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Meadow Gold Dairies. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Your Committee finds that financial considerations should not undermine the fundamental purposes of the Department of Land and Natural Resources, which include the preservation and management of public lands. The Department's resources are currently absorbed by its expansive regulatory and enforcement duties. From a financial perspective, it is not feasible for the Department to devote its resources to land management and revenue raising projects. Your Committee further finds that the Hawaii Public Lands Development Corporation proposed by this measure would focus on management of the public lands, including implementing public



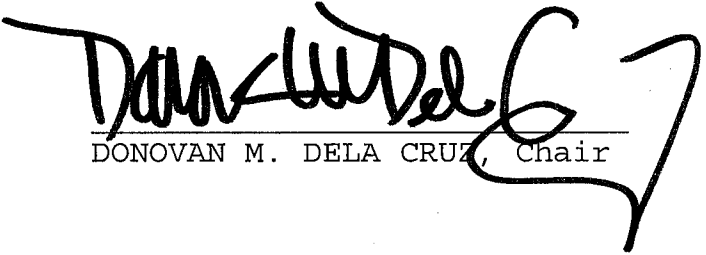
lands development projects, and develop and implement projects that would generate revenues for the management of the public lands. The revenues would then be available to support the management of public lands, and the public lands development projects will preserve and maintain lands for the public.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date from upon approval to July 1, 2011, to coincide with the start of the fiscal year; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 627, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 627, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

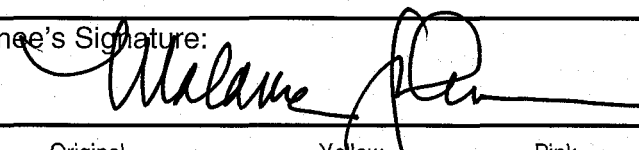
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, and
Housing,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Water, Land, and Housing
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 627	Committee Referral: WLH, WAM	Date: Jul 08, 2011		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	✓			
SOLOMON, Malama (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol				✓
RYAN, Pohai	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile				✓
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	5			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