

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1294

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 15 2011

RE: S.C.R. No. 124  
S.D. 2

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.C.R. No. 124, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE CONVENING OF TASK  
FORCES TO DEVELOP COMMUNITY BENEFITS PACKAGES FOR THE  
NEIGHBORHOODS LOCATED NEAREST TO LANDFILLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the  
Director of Health to convene a task force with each county to  
develop a community benefits package for neighborhoods located  
closest to landfills. As part of the community benefits packages,  
the task forces are requested to consider reduction or elimination  
of property taxes for homeowners nearest to the landfills and user  
fees to support community health centers near the landfills.

Your Committee received comments in opposition to this  
measure from the Department of Environmental Services, City and  
County of Honolulu.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from The  
Resort Group; and Gary M. Slovin, PVT Land Company.

Your Committee finds that landfills in the State may  
disproportionately and adversely affect persons who live in close  
proximity to a landfill and that community benefits packages  
should be developed for residents of these neighborhoods to offset  
the negative effects.

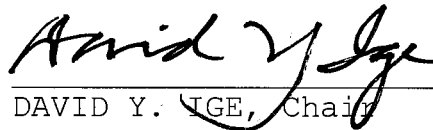


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that residents of neighborhoods located closest to landfills may deserve special consideration in the name of environmental justice; and
- (2) Specifying a specific amount for the user fees and tipping fees that the task forces are requested to support as funding mechanisms for community health centers located closest to landfills.

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 124, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 124, S.D. 2.

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

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  
 If so, then the previous decision was to: \_\_\_\_\_

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312     Pass, with amendments 2311     Hold 2310     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>	10	0	0	4

Recommendation:  Adopted     Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:

*Michelle N. Kidani*

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