

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2662

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2220
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2220 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOILER AND ELEVATOR SAFETY LAW,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to ensure the safety of Hawaii's residents who use boilers, elevators, escalators, moving walkways, amusement rides, and related equipment by establishing a special fund and fee schedule for the purposes of funding inspectors and staff to reduce the current inspection backlog.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure by the Department of Human Resources Development, Hawaii Government Employees Association, General Contractors Association of Hawaii, and International Union of Elevator Constructors.

Your Committee finds that establishing a special fund and fee schedule will increase funding to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to enable it to hire additional inspectors. More inspectors will mean increased safety for Hawaii residents. About seventy-five per cent of the elevators and half of the boilers in the State are operating without a current permit due to lack of available inspectors. There is also a backlog of critical load tests of elevators, internal inspections of escalators, and inspection of amusement rides.



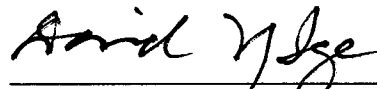
Your Committee further finds that additional inspectors will help developers obtain building and occupancy permits faster, which, in turn, will reduce construction costs and facilitate additional construction projects.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the section of the measure authorizing the Director of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish ten additional positions to carry out the purposes of chapter 397, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (2) Deleting the specific appropriation amounts for start-up costs to be deposited to the credit of the boiler and elevator special fund, and for the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to carry out the purposes of this measure;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to promote further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purpose of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2220, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2220, S.D. 1.

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



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 2220	JDL, WAM	2-23-12		
<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
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			✓	
TOTAL	13	0	1	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Michelle N. Sidani</div>				
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