

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

576

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2013

RE: S.B. No. 1339
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1339 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RURAL AREAS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to qualify areas in the State as rural for purposes of participation in federal programs that accept state definitions of a rural area.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Your Committee finds that while federal definitions of a "rural area" preclude many communities from participating in federal programs, several other federal programs recognize state definitions of a "rural area" for purposes of participation in those programs. This measure will ensure that many of the State's culturally significant rural communities will continue to receive federal funds for services critical to their continued existence and prosperity.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, in order to facilitate continued discussion on the measure.

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.

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No. 1339, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1339, S.D. 1.

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



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Seventh Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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| Bill / Resolution No.:* SB1339 | Committee Referral: WTL/AGL, WAM | Date: 2-22-13 | | |
| <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 | ✓ | | | |
| KAHELE, Gilbert | ✓ | | | |
| KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. | ✓ | | | |
| KOUCHI, Ronald D. | | | | ✓ |
| RUDERMAN, Russell E. | ✓ | | | |
| THIELEN, Laura H. | ✓ | | | |
| TOKUDA, Jill N. | ✓ | | | |
| SLOM, Sam | ✓ | | | |
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| Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted | | | | |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i> | | | | |
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