

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 1087
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1087, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to address actual and potential future leaks of underground storage tanks and the resulting risk of contamination to freshwater supplies.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Amends the barrel tax allocation to the environmental response revolving fund, which funds the Department of Health's environmental mitigation activities; and
- (2) Requires the Director of Health to establish a task force to assess the condition of at-risk underground storage tanks, take steps to protect freshwater supplies, and submit a report to the Legislature on the task force's findings and recommendations.

The Department of Health, Conservation Council for Hawaii, The Nature Conservancy, and Hawaii Green Growth supported this measure. The Board of Water Supply and Tax Foundation of Hawaii submitted comments on this measure.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1087, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.


Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

| Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1087, HD1 | Committee Referral: EEP, FIN | Date: 3/3/15 | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | |
| FIN Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. LUKE, Sylvia (C) | / | | | |
| 2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC) | / | | | |
| 3. CACHOLA, Romy M. | / | | | |
| 4. CULLEN, Ty J.K. | / | | | |
| 5. DECOITE, Lynn | / | | | |
| 6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling | / | / | | |
| 7. JORDAN, Jo | / | / | | |
| 8. KEOHOKALOOLE, Jarrett | / | | | |
| 9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand | / | | | |
| 10. LOWEN, Nicole E. | / | | | |
| 11. ONISHI, Richard H.K. | / | | | |
| 12. TOKIOKA, James Kunane | / | | | |
| 13. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. | / | | | |
| 14. POUHA, Feki | / | | | |
| 15. WARD, Gene | / | | | |
| TOTAL (15) | 14 | 1 | | |
| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature:  | | | | |
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