

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 27, 2015

RE: S.B. No. 868
S.D. 1
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 Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred S.B. No. 868, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIQUOR COMMISSIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize county liquor commissions to regulate dancing in premises licensed to serve alcohol.

In addition, this measure requires liquor commissions that regulate dancing to:

- (1) Adopt or amend rules regarding limitations on dancing in premises licensed to serve alcohol; and
- (2) Define the term "dancing."

Your Committee finds that some county liquor commissions have established rules relating to dancing in licensed premises. However, your Committee finds that these rules may be confusing or ambiguous and thus difficult for members of the public and business owners to follow. Specifically, there may be confusion and ambiguity in regulations that prohibit dancing under certain circumstances, but fail to define dancing. For example, a broad definition of dancing could be interpreted to prohibit a variety of movements ranging from simply bobbing one's head to moving in



synchronization with another individual for an extended period of time. Your Committee finds that statutorily authorizing each county liquor commission to regulate and define dancing will assist the county liquor commissions in creating regulations that members of the public and business owners can easily understand and obey.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 868, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,

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ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 868, SDI, HDI	Committee Referral: EDB, CPC, FIN	Date: 03/25/2015		
<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)				
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	/			
2. WOODSON, Justin H. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. BROWER, Tom	/			
5. CREAGAN, Richard P.	/			
6. HAR, Sharon E.	/			
7. HASHEM, Mark J.	/			
8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	/			
9. LEE, Chris	/			
10. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	/			
11. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	/			
12. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	/			
13. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	/			
14. YAMANE, Ryan I.	/			
15. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth	/			
16. McDERMOTT, Bob	/			
TOTAL (16)	16			
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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