

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1196

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 143

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred  
S.C.R. No. 143 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF  
HONOLULU IN COORDINATION WITH THE HONOLULU AUTHORITY FOR  
RAPID TRANSPORTATION TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO GENERATE REVENUE  
FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF RAIL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the City  
and County of Honolulu, in coordination with the Honolulu  
Authority for Rapid Transportation, to:

- (1) Develop a plan to generate revenue via transit-oriented  
development near rail stations to include the  
development of housing and employment clusters;
- (2) Identify locations where tax increment financing or  
community facilities districts may be established to  
generate revenues that can be used for construction,  
operations, and maintenance of the Honolulu rail transit  
project;
- (3) Review land use ordinances of lands that lie  
within one half mile of rail stations and implement  
measures to amend zoning, as necessary, to allow for  
transit-oriented development in those areas to include  
but not be limited to commercial, residential, and  
mixed-use development;



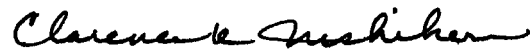
- (4) Identify areas of employment concentration and opportunities for future transit investments; and
- (5) Expend any proceeds from an extension of the 0.5 percent general excise tax surcharge on construction only, and not for rail operation or maintenance costs.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Planning and Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu and Grassroot Institute of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the Honolulu rail transit project presents development opportunities for housing and job creation as rail riders will demand employment and housing opportunities in station areas. Strong housing and employment connections are vital for rail transit to fulfill its potential to address goals of accessibility, stronger regional economies, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions. Value capture strategies such as tax increment financing or community facilities districts can generate revenues that can be used to pay for construction, operations, and maintenance of the Honolulu rail transit project.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 143 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



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CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				✓
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	7			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Breene Harimoto</i>				
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