

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 2015

RE: H.B. No. 971
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committees on Transportation and Water and Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 971, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ALOHA TOWER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the composition of the Aloha Tower Development Corporation's Board of Directors and allow rather than require the Board of Directors to appoint a Chief Executive Officer.

Specifically, this measure amends the composition of the Board of Directors by:

- (1) Increasing the membership of the Board from three to six;
- (2) Removing the Director of Transportation as a member;
- (3) Adding the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources as a member;
- (4) Adding one member to represent the maritime industry, to be appointed by the Governor pursuant to section 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes;



- (5) Adding one member to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and
- (6) Adding one member to be appointed by the President of the Senate.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation.

Your Committees find that the present three member board presents challenges in conducting Aloha Tower Development Corporation business. Due to the State's Sunshine Law, communication and interaction between the Director of Transportation and Deputy Director of Harbors Division, who are both Aloha Tower Development Corporation Board members, is awkward and delicate even when they are performing their primary position's perfunctory activities. In addition, the functioning of the Aloha Tower Development Corporation Board of Directors would be more effective if more perspectives are represented.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the addition of a maritime representative as a member of the Board of Directors;
- (2) Designating the Deputy Director of Transportation, Harbors Division as chairperson, rather than requiring a majority vote to select the chairperson;
- (3) Repealing the position of chief executive officer; and
- (4) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2015.

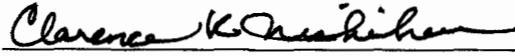
As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Transportation and Water and Land that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 971, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 971, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Transportation
and Water and Land,



LAURA H. THIELEN, Chair

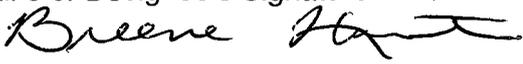


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



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Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB971 HD1	Committee Referral: TRA/WTL, WAM	Date: 3/24/15		
<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
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				✓
ESPERO, Will	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				✓
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	5			4
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

