

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 2, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2026
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2026, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Legislative Reference Bureau to update the 1985 study, "The Feasibility of Environmental Reorganization for Hawaii," and to assess the feasibility of implementing findings and recommendations.

The Department of Environmental Management of the County of Hawai'i, Sierra Club of Hawai'i, and Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i testified in support of this measure. The Legislative Reference Bureau, State Procurement Office, and Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii provided comments.

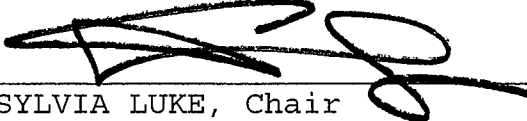
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



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. 2026, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2026, H.D. 2.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



