

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2693
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 Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2693, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Prohibit the denial of emergency shelter by places of public accommodation;
- (2) Clarify that places of public accommodation and their agents and employees are protected from liability when providing emergency shelter; and
- (3) Clarify that any facility that is receiving compensation from a person sheltered there and owners of properties made available for shelter use may be exempted from civil liability for providing emergency access to land, shelter, and subsistence during a disaster.

The Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, Retail Merchants of Hawaii, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and one individual testified in support of this measure. The Maui Chamber of Commerce testified



in opposition. The City and County of Honolulu Department of Emergency Management provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to promote further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2693, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2693, H.D. 2.

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



SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2693 HD1	Committee Referral: PBS/MI, JUD, FIN	Date: 2/15/10
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (C)	/			
2. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (VC)	/			
3. BROWER, Tom	/			
4. LEE, Chris				/
5. MORIKAWA, Dee	/			
6. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	/			
7. McDERMOTT, Bob	/			
8. THIELEN, Cynthia	/			
TOTAL (8)	7			1

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____

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