

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 127

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 1, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 551

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 551 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CESSPOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Extend the lapse date for funds appropriated to the University of Hawaii to conduct a comprehensive statewide study of sewage contamination in nearshore marine areas; and
- (2) Extend the lapse date for funds appropriated to the Department of Health to conduct research or gather technical assistance relating to the Cesspool Conversion Working Group's comprehensive cesspool conversion plan.

The University of Hawai'i Water Resources Research Center, County of Hawai'i Department of Environmental Management, Coral Reef Alliance, One World One Water, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Surfrider Foundation Hawaii Chapters, Surfrider Foundation Kauai, and a few individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Health supported the intent of this measure.

HB551 HSCR EEP HMS 2019-1564



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 551 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy &
Environmental Protection,


NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

| Bill/Resolution No.: HB 551 | Committee Referral: EEP, FIN | Date: 1.31.19 | | |
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| <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) | | | | |
| EEP Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. LOWEN, Nicole E. (C) | ✓ | | | |
| 2. WILDBERGER, Tina (VC) | ✓ | | | |
| 3. HAR, Sharon E. | ✓ | | | |
| 4. TARNAS, David A. | ✓ | | | |
| 5. TODD, Chris | ✓ | | | |
| 6. YAMANE, Ryan I. | ✓ | | | |
| 7. THIELEN, Cynthia | | | | ✓ |
| TOTAL (7) | 6 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 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: <u>Tim Wildberger</u> | | | | |
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