

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 10 2015

RE: H.B. No. 293  
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 Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 293, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIQUOR LICENSES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to streamline the liquor license application and renewal process.

Specifically, this measure authorizes applicants for a liquor license, or renewal of a liquor license, to present a certificate of vendor compliance issued by Hawaii Compliance Express to demonstrate that the applicant is in compliance with payments of state and federal taxes.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from City and County of Honolulu Liquor Commission.

Your Committee finds that the process for issuance, renewal, or transfer of a liquor license currently requires the applicant to present a certificate from the Internal Revenue Service and the Director of Taxation certifying that the applicant does not owe federal or state taxes. Your Committee finds that the same evidence of tax compliance is more easily available through Hawaii Compliance Express, the State's online procurement vendor compliance system. Your Committee believes that this measure will improve the efficiency of the liquor licensing process by authorizing applicants who utilize Hawaii Compliance Express to



present a certificate of vendor compliance as evidence of tax compliance for the purpose of obtaining, renewing, or transferring a liquor license.

Your Committee has amended this measure by recasting the language authorizing an applicant to present a certificate of vendor compliance issued by Hawaii Compliance Express to language that more generally authorizes compliance with the requirements of section 103D-310(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which includes certificates of vendor compliance issued by Hawaii Compliance Express.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 293, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 293, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,



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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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| Bill / Resolution No.:*  | Committee Referral: | Date:           |                     |              |
| <b>HB293 HD1</b>   | <b>PSM/GVO, WAM</b> | <b>4/2/15</b>   |                     |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.<br>If so, then the previous decision was to: _____  |                     |                 |                     |              |
| The Recommendation is:   |                     |                 |                     |              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <del>Pass, unamended</del> <sup>NEED</sup> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit |                     |                 |                     |              |
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| Members  | Aye                 | Aye (WR)        | Nay                 | Excused      |
| TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)  | ✓                   |                 |                     |              |
| KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)   | ✓                   |                 |                     |              |
| CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne  | ✓                   |                 |                     |              |
| DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.  | ✓                   |                 |                     |              |
| ENGLISH, J. Kalani   | ✓                   |                 |                     |              |
| GALUTERIA, Brickwood   | ✓                   |                 |                     |              |
| HARIMOTO, Breene   |                     |                 |                     | ✓            |
| INOUYE, Lorraine R.  | ✓                   |                 |                     |              |
| RIVIERE, Gil   | ✓                   |                 |                     | <del>✓</del> |
| RUDERMAN, Russell E.   | ✓                   |                 |                     |              |
| SLOM, Sam  |                     |                 |                     | ✓            |
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| Recommendation:  |                     |                 |                     |              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted   |                     |                 |                     |              |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature:   |                     |                 |                     |              |
| <i>Sam D. Sloam</i>  |                     |                 |                     |              |
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