

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1544

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 10 2015

RE: H.B. No. 697
H.D. 1
S.D. 2

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. 697, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FACILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Auditor to conduct a study that reviews the process, efficiencies, and accountability of various departmental engineering sections that manage general fund capital improvement projects.

Specifically, the measure requires the Auditor to determine:

- (1) If each office adheres to a specific timeline for the purpose of ensuring that the project continues to move forward in a timely manner;
- (2) Whether consultants and contractors that are used by departmental engineering sections are properly managed in the public interest; and
- (3) The level of end-user satisfaction with capital improvement projects performed by various departments.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Accounting and General Services.



For purposes of a public hearing on this measure, your Committee circulated a Proposed Senate Draft 2. In addition to retaining the provisions of the Senate Draft 1, the proposed draft:

- (1) Requires the Department of Accounting and General Services to:
 - (A) Undertake lease buyback processing under the program of centralized engineering and office leasing services;
 - (B) Facilitate facility agreements between the State and private investors for the sale of facilities to private investors; and
 - (C) Conduct an inventory of all leases of property between state agencies and private entities and submit a report to the Legislature prior to the 2016 Regular Session; and
- (2) Appropriates moneys for the Department of Accounting and General Services to conduct the inventory of all leases of property between state agencies and private entities.

Your Committee received no testimony on the proposed draft.

Your Committee finds that, pursuant to section 26-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Department of Accounting and General Services is responsible for undertaking the program of centralized engineering and office leasing services, including operation and maintenance of public buildings, for departments of the State. Your Committee further finds that a number of executive departments have undertaken the responsibility for the engineering of numerous general fund construction and renovation projects, thereby decentralizing engineering activities. Your Committee believes that this measure, among other things, will provide information necessary to determine if it is in the public interest to continue to operate duplicative engineering operations within various departments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by adopting the Proposed Senate Draft 2 and further amended it by making technical nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.



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. 697, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 697, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

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



JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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HB697 HDI SD1	EVO, WAM	4-6-15		
<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
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	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	10	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Neil D. Hill</i>				
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