Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and
Military Affairs and Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 878
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTEWATER,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

(1) Require the counties to authorize the installation and
     use of composting toilets in areas that are inaccessible
     to municipal wastewater systems; and

(2) Define "composting toilet".

Your Committees received comments on this measure from the
Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Your Committees find that the existing flush and septic
systems in certain areas of the State are ill-suited due to
geographic challenges and scarce water supplies. These areas
present formidable engineering challenges including proximity to
the ocean, hard volcanic rock, and groundwater just two feet below
the surface. Composting toilets are a viable alternative in areas
that are inaccessible to municipal water systems. Implementation
of this measure improves the health and welfare of the State.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

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(1)   Authorizing, rather than requiring, the counties to
      approve the installation and use of composting toilets
      in areas that are inaccessible to municipal wastewater
      systems; and

(2)   Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the
      purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your
Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs and Health that are attached to this report, your
Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B.
No. 878, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second
Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 878, S.D. 1, and
be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs and Health,

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JOSH GREEN, Chair

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WILL ESPERO, Chair

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SB 878	PSM	HTH, WAM	2-11-2015

☐ The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.

    If so, then the previous decision was to:_____

The Recommendation is:

☐ Pass, unamended   ☑ Pass, with amendments   ☐ Hold   ☐ Recommit
    2312   2311   2310   2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				✓
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	3	—	—	2

Recommendation: ☑ Adopted   ☐ Not Adopted

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The Recommendation is:

☐ Pass, unamended 2312   ☑ Pass, with amendments 2311   ☐ Hold 2310   ☐ Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GREEN, Josh (C)	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			✓
GABBARD, Mike				✓
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	5	∅	∅	2

Recommendation: ☑ Adopted   ☐ Not Adopted

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