

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2083

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2618

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Energy, to which was referred S.B. No. 2618 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Department of Transportation to conduct a feasibility study of establishing an interisland ferry system and make an appropriation for the study.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation and two individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Aloha Analytics and one individual.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii does not enjoy the benefit of being linked to other states, cities, or towns via the federal interstate highway system or a network of interconnected state and local highways. Air transportation is currently the only efficient means of travel between Hawaii's major islands. An interisland ferry system can serve as an efficient alternative for transporting passengers, cargo, farm produce, and motor vehicles.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Energy that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2618 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation and
Energy,


LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation and Energy
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB2618	Committee Referral: TRE, WAM	Date: 02-04-16		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	/			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)				/
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				/
SLOM, Sam				/
TOTAL	4			3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>J. Kalani English</i>				
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