

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2718
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2718 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Accounting and General Services to maintain a database detailing the amount of moneys expended in each county for the disposal of polystyrene products by state departments and agencies that incur costs for collecting or disposing of polystyrene products; and
- (2) Beginning January 1, 2020, require the counties to reimburse the general fund for costs to the State for cleaning up and disposing of polystyrene products in the respective counties.

The Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Cuddle Party, Surfrider Foundation O'ahu Chapter, Sierra Club of Hawai'i, Kokua Hawaii Foundation, and a few individuals supported this measure. The Department of Environmental Management of the County of Hawaii and an individual



opposed this measure. The Department of Accounting and General Services provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by exempting counties that have enacted ordinances significantly restricting the use of polystyrene products from being tracked by the Department of Accounting and General Services' database for reimbursement to the general fund for costs incurred for cleaning up and disposing of polystyrene products.

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. 2718, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2718, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2718	Committee Referral: EEP, FIN	Date: 2/13/18		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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. LEE, Chris (C)	/			
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)	/			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	/			
4. KONG, Sam Satoru	/			
5. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	/			
6. TODD, Chris	/			
7. YAMANE, Ryan I.	/			
8. MCDERMOTT, Bob				/
TOTAL (8)	7	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: <i>Nicole E. Lowen</i>				
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