

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1840
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1840, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources to support long-term water quality monitoring and pollution source detection.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from three members of the Maui County Council; Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition; Ulupono Initiative; Resources Legacy Fund; Lāhainā Strong; Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo; Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; and eight individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and one individual.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the numbers of full-time equivalent aquatic biologists to unspecified numbers.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No.



1840, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1840, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



