

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

881

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2025

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RE: H.B. No. 734
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 734, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTEWATER SYSTEMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require and appropriate funds for the Department of Health, in consultation with various agencies and professionals, to review rules and practices and propose changes that have the potential to make wastewater systems and cesspool upgrades more affordable without compromising water quality.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; Office of the Mayor of the County of Hawai'i; The Nature Conservancy, Hawai'i and Palmyra; WAI: Wastewater Alternatives & Innovations; Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition; Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; Public Access to SunScreens Coalition; Coral Reef Alliance; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Health.

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. 734, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

2025-2038 HB734 HD1 HSCR HMSO



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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K.T. Yamashita', written in a cursive, stylized script.

KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 734, HD1		Committee Referral: EEP, WAL, FIN		Date: 2/20/25	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)					
FIN Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)		/			
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)		/			
3. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada		/			
4. HOLT, Daniel		/			
5. HUSSEY, Ikaika		/			
6. KEOHOKAPU-LEE LOY, Sue L.		/			
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa		/			
8. KUSCH, Matthias		/			
9. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.		/			
10. LEE, Mike		/			
11. MIYAKE, Tyson K.		/			
12. MORIKAWA, Dee		/			
13. TEMPLO, Shirley Ann		/			
14. ALCOS III, David		/			/
15. REYES ODA, Julie		/			
16. WARD, Gene					/
TOTAL (16)		14	0	0	2
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: _____					
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