

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1970

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 04 , 2025

RE: S.B. No. 1602
S.D. 1
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 S.B. No. 1602, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KEAUKOU AQUIFER SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Land and Natural Resources to establish the Keauhou Aquifer System Monitoring Pilot Program to collect data, monitor groundwater levels, conduct tests, conduct community outreach, and develop a plan for responsible management of groundwater resources in the Keauhou Aquifer System;
- (2) Require the periodic reporting of certain information collected for the Pilot Project to the Legislature; and
- (3) Appropriate funds for the Pilot Project and installation of two monitoring wells in the Keauhou Aquifer System.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation; Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority; Department of Water Supply of the County of Hawaii; Kona Community Development Plan

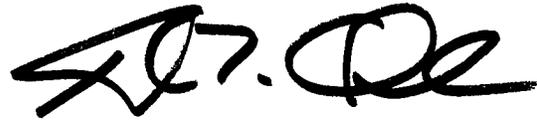
2025-3101 SB1602 HD1 HSCR HMSO



Action Committee; Chamber of Commerce Hawaii; Hawai'i Island Chamber of Commerce; Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce; and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

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 S.B. No. 1602, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



