Honolulu, Hawaii

Fe 417, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2003

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2003 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR VOG MONITORING STATIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect residents of the Puna district from the health hazards of "vog," a visible haze produced by a reaction of the gases emitted from Kilauea volcano and other chemicals in the air, by appropriating \$160,000 to the Department of Health to install two additional vog monitoring stations, at Mountain View and Pahala, on the island of Hawaii.

The Maku'u Farmers Association and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Department of Health (DOH) supported the intent of the measure.

DOH raised a concern about the measure specifically designating Mountain View and Pahala as the sites for the monitoring stations, as available sites and lease agreements have to be negotiated. The named sites were suggested locations with the exact siting yet to be determined. Therefore, your Committee respectfully requests that the subsequent committee consider an amendment to allow the DOH flexibility in the siting of the two additional vog monitoring stations.

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. 2003 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

Muni Duni

HERMINA MORITA, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 200 3	Date:	2-14-	06	
Committee Referral:	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ Pass, with amendments			
☐ Hold ☐ Recommit				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MORITA, Hermina M. (C)				
2. EVANS, Cindy (VC)			<u>auto ni ili kiri positiki Sa mankaji avas 1911</u>	
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.				
4. CARROLL, Mele		na. 24 no so politika kate 200. za opravlja:	enen samus kuluusii kiliksa aanig.	~
5. HARBIN, Bev				
6. KANOHO, Ezra R.				
7. SCHATZ, Brian	~			
8. WATERS, Tommy		HAMBIER STEEL BEET STEEL STEEL STEEL STEEL		
9. PINE, Kymberly				
10. THIELEN, Cynthia				
TOTAL	7			3
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Rep Civily Evans				
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