Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 10, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2524

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns, to which was referred H.B. No. 2524 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERMIT APPROVALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that business or development-related permit, license, or approval applications are approved in a fair and sound manner by prohibiting automatic approvals when there is a lack of quorum, tie voting results, or any other vote with less than the majority present.

The County of Hawaii, the Planning Department of the County of Hawaii, and Sierra Club, Hawaii Chapter, testified in support of this bill. The Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii opposed this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources offered comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2524 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns,

M RIKI KARAMATSU, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2524	Date: Feb. 9, 2006			
Committee Referral: EDB, JUD, FIN	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ Pass, with amendments			
☐ Hold	☐ Recommit			
EDB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki (C)	V			
2. WAKAI, Glenn (VC)		:		
3. ABINSAY, Felipe P., Jr.				
4. CHANG, Jerry L.				
5. HERKES, Robert N.				
6. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.				
7. TSUJI, Clift				
8. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
9. CHING, Corinne W.L.				
10. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.				
TOTAL	5	2	Ø	3
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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