STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2033

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR - 3 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3037 S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 3037 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RELIEF OF MANOA FLOOD VICTIMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide a tax credit to assist the victims of the Manoa flood of 2004.

Your Committee finds that the heavy rain and flood of October 2004 had devastating consequences for many residents of Manoa Valley. Approximately one hundred forty homes and several automobiles sustained damage caused by the torrential downpour that overflowed the banks of Manoa Stream. Fortunately, the flooding did not cause any serious injuries or deaths, but the property damage it left in its wake is still being felt by many Manoa families.

This bill provides a modicum of relief to the victims of the Manoa flood in the form of a one-time nonrefundable tax credit not to exceed \$2,000. The tax credit applies to losses of real or personal property caused by the heavy rain and flood.

In response to the heartfelt testimony received by your Committee from the victims of the Manoa flood and the enormous losses sustained by these victims, your Committee has amended the bill to increase the tax credit limit to \$10,000 per qualified taxpayer. Your Committee has also amended the bill by:

- (1) Adding other qualifying provisions with respect to the tax credit; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3037, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3037, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Ways and Means (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:*	Committee Referral:		Date:		
SB 3037	WLA, WAM			2/27/06	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is to:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit (2312) (2311) (2310) (2313)					
Members		Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)		_/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)		/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		/			
ESPERO, Will		/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol		/			
HOOSER, Gary L.					
(NOUYE, Lorraine R.					
KANNO, Brian					
KIM, Donna Mercado		/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.		/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.		/			
SAKAMOTO, Norman		/			
HEMMINGS, Fred					/
SLOM, Sam				\	
TRIMBLE, Gordon				\	
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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^{*}Do <u>not</u> list more than one measure per Record of Votes.