STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1518

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 4 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1278

H.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1278, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL SITE CLEANUP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to enable the State to continue to offer low-cost loans to qualified borrowers to cleanup contaminated properties.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, and the County of Hawaii Department of Environmental Management submitted comments in support of the bill.

Your Committee finds that the Hawaii Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund assists qualified borrowers with the cleanup of contaminated sites in accordance with federal environmental and hazardous substances pollution guidelines. The fund, however, is set to be repealed on June 30, 2007.

This bill repeals the fund's sunset date to provide for the continued cleanup of contaminated properties.

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 H.B. No. 1278, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 1278 HD1	Committee Referral:		1	Date: 3/28/07	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)		/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					
FUKUNAGA, Carol		***************************************			
HOOSER, Gary L.					
KIM, Donna Mercado					
MENOR, Ron					
TOKUDA, Jill N.					
HEMMINGS, Fred					
WHALEN, Paul			Marking Carlos Sa		
TOTAL		10	0	0	
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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