STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2607

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2782

S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2008 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 2782, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO METAL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

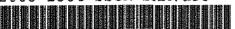
The purpose of this measure is to aid in the deterrence of criminal activity by including the theft of stainless steel beverage containers, otherwise known as beer kegs, in laws intended to prevent theft and resale of copper.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Legislative Center. Testimony in opposition was submitted by the Office of the Public Defender.

The theft of beer kegs has become a problem in recent years. Testimony indicates that the beer industry loses over 300,000 kegs per year, which equals approximately \$15,000,000, due to the theft and resale of beer kegs. Beer kegs or stainless steel beverage containers are one hundred per cent recyclable; thus, making these containers attractive for individuals for redemption into cash. Your Committee finds that including the theft of beer kegs in laws intended to prevent theft and resale of copper will deter the theft of stainless steel beverage containers.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purpose of clarity, style, and to harmonize the repeal date of the provisions of this measure with the repeal date of the State's copper theft law.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2782, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2782, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor,

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary and Labor JDL

Bill / Resolution No.:*  SB 2782 SDI	Committee Referral:		[	Date: 2-22-08	
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
TANIGUCHI, BRIAN T. (C)	·	V			
HEE, Clayton (VC)		/			V
GABBARD, Mike		V			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.					<b>V</b>
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.					
SLOM, Sam					
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TOTAL		3	0		2
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designed's Signature:					
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