

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2845

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 29 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2482
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 Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2482, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAI'I INSTITUTE OF MARINE BIOLOGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to extend the lapse date of the funds provided for the planning, design, and construction of a modern laboratory and office complex on Coconut Island.

The University of Hawaii submitted testimony in support of this measure.

The Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology is a world-renowned research institute situated on Coconut Island in Kaneohe Bay. The island itself also provides excellent research opportunities as it is surrounded by sixty-four acres of protected coral reef. The Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology provides research facilities for faculty and students from a broad range of disciplines, including zoology, oceanography, microbiology, molecular biosciences, bioengineering, human nutrition, food and animal sciences, and global environmental sciences. Your Committee finds that this measure will help the University of Hawaii pursue opportunities to further enhance this unique research facility.

Upon further consideration, your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to June 29, 2008, to

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prevent the funds from lapsing on June 30, 2008, pursuant to Act 160, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006.

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. 2482, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2482, S.D. 2.

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



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



