

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 2009

RE: H.B. No. 994
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and
Tourism, to which was referred H.B. No. 994, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TOURISM;"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the
State to apply for a spaceport license from the Federal Aviation
Administration for the purposes of increasing tourism and
stimulating technology development.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure
from three private organizations and one former Governor of the
State. Testimony in opposition to this measure was received from
one individual. Testimony with comments on this measure was
received from one state agency. Written testimony presented to
the Committees may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committees find that market studies have shown that
space tourism has the potential to become a billion-dollar
industry over the next ten years. Your Committees further find
that additional applications for rocket technologies, including
the launch of satellites and scientific payloads into sub-earth
and low-earth orbits, research and educational functions, and long
distance suborbital transport have great commercial potential.
Your Committees note that Hawaii's geographic position makes this
State especially well-suited for both commercial and tourism
applications of rocket technology. Your Committees find that



development of a spaceport will enrich Hawaii's tourism offerings while also contributing to the development of a diversified economy that includes scientific, commercial, and educational sectors.

Your Committees have amended this measure by revising its funding structure to appropriate \$250,000 out of the Airport Revenue Fund and \$250,000 out of the Tourism Special Fund so that no general revenue funds are required for the implementation of this measure.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Tourism that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 994, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 994, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Public Safety and
Military Affairs and Tourism,



CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



WILL ESPERO, Chair



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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="text-align: center;">HB 994, HD1</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="text-align: center;">PSM/TSM, WAM</div>	Date: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">3/24/09</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (VC)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
TSUTSUI, Shan S.				✓
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: _____				
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