

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 564
S.D. 2

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation, International and
Intergovernmental Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 564,
S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to permit, rather than
require, the county fire chief to conduct an inspection of all
buildings and premises to provide fire prevention and pre-fire
planning at an interval of an unspecified number of years.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the State Fire Council and the Honolulu Fire Department.
Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on
the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that this measure would allow fire
inspections to be conducted in accordance with fire and life
safety risks of the building rather than on a schedule based
solely on time. Thorough and complete fire inspections reduce the
risk of fire but are time-consuming because repeated follow-up
inspections are required until compliance is achieved. Fire
departments can utilize their limited resources more efficiently
and effectively by focusing on structures with high risk and
occupancy, such as assembly buildings and high rises.

Your Committee has amended this measure by maintaining the
requirement for inspection and reducing the frequency of



inspection by inserting an inspection period of at least once every five years for buildings and premises other than public schools which remain at least once each year.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 564, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 564, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,
International and
Intergovernmental Affairs,


J. KALANI ENGLISH Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
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Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs
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Bill / Resolution No.: SB 564, SD1	Committee Referral: PSM, TIA	Date: 2-25-09.
<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-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (C)	✓	
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓	
ESPERO, Will	✓	
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓	
SLOM, Sam		
TOTAL	4	—
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
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