STAND. COM. REP. NO. 746

Honolulu, Hawaii

Moreh 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 979 H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2009 State of Hawaii

## Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 979 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect Hawaii's fragile environment by redirecting certain special fund monies to:

- (1) Support invasive species control and mitigation; and
- (2) Promote reforestation and sediment run-off mitigation.

E Kupaku Ka'Aina testified in support of this bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources testified in opposition to this measure. The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii commented on this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 979, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 979, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-fifth Legislature

## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB979	Committee Referral:			Date: Feb	<b>美</b> ,2009
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
FIN Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR	R) Nays	s Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)		V		Ball Common	
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)		$\nu$			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.		V			
4. AWANA, Karen Leinani		V			
5. BROWER, Tom		レ レ			
6. CHOY, Isaac W.		~			
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8. HAR, Sharon E.					
9. KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	Facilities of the second	レ レ レ			
10. LEE, Chris		<u> </u>		China Carles Carles	
11. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.		<u> </u>			
12. SAGUM, Roland D., III					
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane					
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15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.					
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17. WARD, Gene		V	Control (Control (Con		
TOTAL (17)		15			2
The recommendation is:  Adopted Not Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Marily 3. Lee					
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