STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2086

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2420

S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2010 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2420 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to include dietary supplement beverage containers in the deposit beverage container program.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by one private organization and two individuals.

Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that adding dietary supplement liquids, sometimes known as energy drinks, to the deposit beverage container program would result in additional income for the program and further improve recycling rates.

Your Committee also finds Hawaii's recycling rate for beverage containers has reached eighty per cent, and that while commendable, this can be improved. In addition to dietary supplement beverages, wine and hard liquor represent a substantial market and the containers for those products currently are ending up in the landfills.

Your Committee has amended this measure by incorporating language from S.B. No. 2360, to add hard spirits and wine containers to the deposit beverage container program.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2420, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2420, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Energy and Environment,

MIKE GABBARD, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Energy and Environment ENE

Bill / Resolution No.:* Committee Referral: Date: 2/4/10					
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
GABBARD, Mike (C)		√			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)					
GREEN, M.D., Josh					
HOOSER, Gary L.					
IHARA, Jr., Les			-		
KOKUBUN, Russell S.					
HEMMINGS, Fred					
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes