STAND. COM. REP. NO.



Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 6 2009

RE: S.B. No. 807 S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 807 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a recycling program in public schools and provide recycling bins on every public school campus in the State. This measure appropriates an unspecified amount of funds to be expended by the Department of Education to develop the program and provide recycling bins.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii's public schools produce tons of recyclable waste each year. The State's existing HI-5 recycling program encourages residents statewide to recycle aluminum, glass, and plastic beverage containers. Your Committee believes that providing recycling bins on public school campuses throughout the State will encourage greater numbers of students to participate in the State's beverage deposit recycling efforts.

Your Committee further finds that Hawaii's public schools also produce large amounts of food waste each year. Despite statewide policies, recycling efforts reduce only a fraction of the solid waste that is created. As landfills on all islands approach or have already reached their maximum capacity, it becomes imperative for the State to increase its efforts to divert solid waste from the waste stream. Your Committee finds that food waste recycling falls within the State policy to promote re-use and recycling to reduce solid and liquid wastes and employ a

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conservation ethic. Accordingly, your Committee believes that a three-year food waste recycling pilot project in one or more public schools may prove effective in establishing the benefits of food waste recycling as a part of the State's recycling efforts.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting provisions of S.B. No. 178 that require the Department of Education to collaborate with the Department of Health to establish a three-year food waste recycling pilot project in one or more selected public schools;
- (2) Making an unspecified appropriation to develop and implement the food waste recycling pilot project;
- (3) Requiring the Department of Education and the Department of Health to submit preliminary reports to the legislature in 2010 and 2011 and a final report in 2012 on the food waste recycling pilot project;
- (4) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on this measure; and
- (5) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 807, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 807, S.D. 1.

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

DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
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Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)					
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