STAND. COM. REP. NO. 356

Honolulu, Hawaii Fes V7, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 262

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.B. No. 262 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TORT LIABILITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to increase the accessibility to Hawaii's natural beauty while enhancing public safety and making these areas safer by making permanent:

- The liability protections for counties and county lifeguards while providing rescue, resuscitation, and other lifeguard services on the beach or in the ocean at State beach parks; and
- (2) The liability protections for the State and counties for incidents arising on improved public lands when certain warning requirements are met.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of the Attorney General, City and County of Honolulu, Emergency Services Department of the City and County of Honolulu, Office of the Corporation Counsel of the County of Hawaii, Hawaii County Fire Department, Kauai County Fire Department, Honolulu Fire Department, State Fire Council, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Hawaii Association for Justice opposed this measure.



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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 262 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources,

Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources

| Bill/Resolution No.: HB 262 | Committee Referral: | | | Date: 2/11/11 | | |
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| 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) | | | | | | |
| WLO Members | | Ayes | Ayes (W | R) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. CHANG, Jerry L. (C) | | V | | | | |
| 2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC) | | | | | | |
| 3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R. | | | | | | |
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| 4. CARROLL, Mele | | | | | | V |
| 5. CHONG, Pono | | | | | | \checkmark |
| 6. COFFMAN, Denny | | V | | | | |
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| 7. HERKES, Robert N. | | | | | | |
| 8. ITO, Ken | | \checkmark | | | | |
| 9. MORITA, Hermina M. | | V | | | | |
| 10. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. | | \sim | | | | |
| 11. RIVIERE, Gil | | \checkmark | | | | |
| 12. THIELEN, Cynthia | | V | | | · " | |
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| TOTAL (12) | | 9 | | | | 3 |
| The recommendation is: Adopted I Not Adopted did not support recommendation. | | | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: | | | | | | |
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