Honolulu, Hawaii

## APR 0 8 2011

RE:

H.B. No. 318

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S.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 318, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VOG,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to study the impact and address the effect of vog on Hawaii's people by establishing the County of Hawaii Interagency Task Force on Vog and requiring the task force to report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature.

Your Committee received comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the presence of vog in the atmosphere detrimentally affects health, particularly in school children; agriculture, including farm and ranch animals; public infrastructure; and the visitor industry. This measure will enable the State to review the impact of vog and recommend strategies to improve the quality of life in Hawaii.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Deleting language that places the task force in the civil defense agency of Hawaii County and replacing it with language that places the task force in "the civil defense agency of a county with an active volcano from

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which vog emanates" to ensure that the provision meets the requirement that legislative enactments be of statewide concern;

- (2) Adding the Director of Health as a member of the task force;
- (3) Specifying which district health officer shall be a member of the task force;
- (4) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2011; 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 H.B. No. 318, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 318, H.D. 2, S.D. 2.

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

DAVID Y. GE. Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Sixth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee R	eferral:		Date:	
HB 318, HD2, SD1	P6M	WA	M	4-1-1	1
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 (WI	R) Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)		/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)		1			41
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.					
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					
ESPERO, Will		1			
FUKUNAGA, Carol					
KIM, Donna Mercado					
KAHELE, Gilbert					
KOUCHI, Ronald D.					
RYAN, Pohai		/			
TOKUDA, JIII N.					
WAKAI, Glenn					
SLOM, Sam					
TOTAL		12	0	0	
Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature					
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