STAND. COM. REP. NO. 432

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 18, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 785

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. 785 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSERVATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to temporarily require the revenues of the Land Conservation Fund (Fund) from the conveyance tax to be used for invasive species control and mitigation, reforestation, and sediment run-off mitigation, and appropriates funds from the Fund for those purposes.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii, Trust for Public Land, and Hawaiian Islands Land Trust opposed this bill.

Your Committee finds that this bill will create job opportunities by appropriating funds for those public purposes and further finds that employing individuals will generate more economic activity within the State than acquiring land from entities or individuals with presumably higher incomes.

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. 785 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

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

Bill/Resolution No.: れる 785	Committee Referral: WLO, FIN	Date:	14/11	
☐ 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 (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CHANG, Jerry L. (C)	√			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)				
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	\checkmark			
4. CARROLL, Mele				V
5. CHONG, Pono				V
6. COFFMAN, Denny			•	
7. HERKES, Robert N.	✓		1 101 4	
8. ITO, Ken				
9. MORITA, Hermina M.				
10. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.				
11. RIVIERE, Gil		\checkmark		
12. THIELEN, Cynthia	# SEH			<u></u>
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TOTAL (12)	8	1	. 100.	3
The recommendation is: Adopted				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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