

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2261

H.D. 1 C.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2261, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED PROGRAM,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to:

- (1) Establish a permanent weed and seed program within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to continue the program's success; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to maintain current operations of the weed and seed program and expand the weed and seed program into other areas of the State.

Your Committee on Conference finds that the weed and seed program works with local law enforcement to prevent, control, and reduce violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity in targeted

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neighborhoods by "weeding" out the criminal element in the community. Community policing involves police officers working closely with community residents to develop solutions to violent and drug-related crimes. "Seeding" the community involves collaboration among various human services organizations to implement prevention, intervention treatment, and neighborhood revitalization projects, programs, and activities. Your Committee on Conference further finds that the weed and seed program's success warrants the continued operation of weed and seed and envisions the expansion of the program to other communities in the future.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the establishment of the weed and seed program in statute;
- (2) Clarifying that the appropriation for the weed and seed program is to maintain the program in areas currently designated for the program;
- (3) Inserting an appropriation amount of \$336,000 for the weed and seed program;
- (4) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2012; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2261, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2261, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

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Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
☐ The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
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