STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1538 -12

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5 , 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2281

S.D. 1 H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2281, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow an agency to bypass the preparation of a separate environmental assessment and proceed directly to notice and preparation of an environmental impact statement, if the agency, based on its judgment and experience, determines that an environmental impact statement is likely to be required for a proposed action.

The Office of Environmental Quality Control, Office of Planning, Environmental Council, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, and the Building Industry Association of Hawaii supported this measure. The Department of Transportation and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2281, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-sixth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

| SB 228 SDI, HD EEP | tee Referral: | Date: | 4/4/ | 12 |
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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) | | | | |
| FIN Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C) | V. | | <u>-</u> | <u> </u> |
| 2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC) | L | | | |
| 3. CHOY, Isaac W. | | | | |
| 4. CULLEN, Ty | | | | - |
| 5. GIUGNI, Heather | V | | | |
| 6. HAR, Sharon E. | | | | |
| 7. HASHEM, Mark J. | | | | |
| 8. ICHIYAMA, Linda | / | | | |
| 9. JORDAN, Jo | | | | |
| 10. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K. | | | | |
| 11. LEE, Chris | | | | |
| 12. MORIKAWA, Dee | | | | |
| 13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane | | | | |
| 14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. | | | | |
| 15. MARUMOTO, Barbara C. | | | | |
| 16. RIVIERE, Gil | | | | |
| 17. WARD, Gene | | | · ,, | |
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| TOTAL (17) | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted | | | | |
| If joint referral, did not support recommendation. | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Marily 3. Lee | | | | |
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