Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2640
        S.D. 1
        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. 2640, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTEWATER,"

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 allow the use of individual wastewater systems as an on-site means of wastewater disposal in lieu of county-operated wastewater treatment works, under certain circumstances.

Your Committee on Conference finds that with growing pressures on Hawaii's limited freshwater aquifers and aging and expensive wastewater collection and treatment facilities on each island, this measure facilitates Hawaii's sustainability efforts. Gray water recycling systems conserve water and reduce the burden on the environment and wastewater treatment facilities. Gray water is simply wastewater generated from domestic processes such as washing

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dishes, laundry, and bathing. The intent of your Committee on Conference is to lessen wastewater loading to county wastewater treatment plants. Your Committee on Conference notes that this measure requires the counties to adopt ordinances or administrative rules to effectuate this measure.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

(1) Changing the deadline for county rulemaking to December 31, 2014;

(2) Excluding cesspools in special management areas, rather than in coastal areas, from the individual wastewater treatment systems for which counties may permit use; and

(3) Changing the effective date to upon approval.

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. 2640, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2640, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

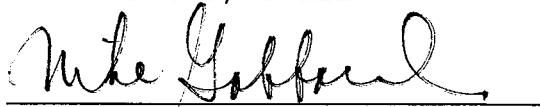Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:
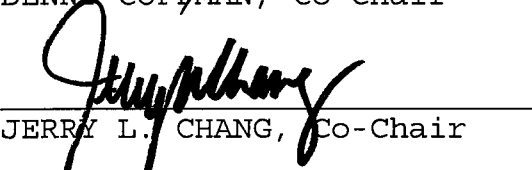
ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

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GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN, Co-Chair

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WILL ESPERO, Chair

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DENNY COFFMAN, Co-Chair

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MIKE GABBARD, Co-Chair

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JERRY L. CHANG, Co-Chair

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RONALD D. KOUCHI, Co-Chair

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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.

☐ The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure	☐ The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.

Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
ESPERO, Will, Chr.	✓				KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C., Co-Chr.	✓			
GABBARD, Mike, Co-Chr.	✓				COFFMAN, Denny, Co-Chr.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D., Co-Chr.	✓				CHANG, Jerry L., Co-Chr.				✓
SLOM, Sam				✓	KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	✓			
					THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL	3			1	**TOTAL**	4			1

A = Aye	WR = Aye with Reservations	N = Nay	E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: ☑ Adopted ☐ Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: ☑ Adopted ☐ Not Adopted
Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: *Will Espero*	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: *[signature]*