STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2623

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 2 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2762

S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2762 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MONEY TRANSMITTERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to increase the protection of consumers who use money transmission services by authorizing the Commissioner of Financial Institutions to require businesses and persons conducting money transmissions to register with a national organization. This measure also increases money transmitter licensing fees to reflect regulatory expenses.

Your Committee finds that there is the potential for money transmitters to defraud consumers by not transmitting the deposited money to the requested location. Some money transmitters also may be unknowingly laundering money due to ignorance of the law. Your Committee finds that increased regulation of money transmitters is appropriate and that increasing licensing fees will offset the expenses incurred by the Division of Financial Institutions due to the increased regulation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Changing "money transmitter" and "licensed money transmitter" to "licensee" for clarity and consistency with the definitions in section 489D-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes;

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- (2) Changing "Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System" to "Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry" to reflect the organization's full name;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to promote further discussion; and
- (4) 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 S.B. No. 2762, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2762, S.D. 1.

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

DAVID X IGE, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Sixth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:	
SB 2762	CPN, WAM 2-24-12				
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 (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)					
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)		V			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne			V		
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.					
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					
ESPERO, Will		-			
FUKUNAGA, Carol					
KIM, Donna Mercado					
KAHELE, Gilbert					
KOUCHI, Ronald D.		V			
RYAN, Pohai		~			
TOKUDA, Jill N.					
WAKAI, Glenn					
SLOM, Sam					
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Muhille M. Kelani					
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