

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 12 2012

RE: S.R. No. 14
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 Tourism, to which was referred S.R. No. 14
entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY TO
STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING A HOTEL ABOVE THE HAWAII
CONVENTION CENTER FACILITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Hawaii Tourism Authority to:

- (1) Study the feasibility of developing a hotel above the
Hawaii Convention Center facility; and
- (2) Report the findings and results of the feasibility
study, including any recommendations requiring
legislative approval, to the Legislature no later than
twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular
Session of 2013.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

Your Committee finds that the current economic situation
provides an opportunity to identify areas for improvements in the
operations of the Hawaii Convention Center that may help to
diversify Hawaii's tourism economy and move from a leisure-based
market toward a stronger mix of leisure and business. Your
Committee further finds that in order to determine the optimal



future for the Hawaii Convention Center, as well as the impact of developing a hotel or other facility above the Hawaii Convention Center facility, the State needs updated baseline information on the facility.

Your Committee has amended this measure accordingly by:

- (1) Amending the title to read: "REQUESTING THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING A HOTEL, TRAINING HOTEL, OR OTHER COMMERCIAL RETAIL FACILITY ABOVE THE HAWAII CONVENTION CENTER FACILITY";
- (2) Expanding the scope of the feasibility study to include a training hotel or other commercial retail facility, as determined by the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Tourism Authority;
- (3) Adding language to request that the feasibility study be undertaken in conjunction with a baseline study of the current operations of the Hawaii Convention Center to more accurately determine the impact that the development of such a hotel or other facility may have on the Hawaii Convention Center, including its operations and management, physical assets and constraints, short- and long-range plans for the facility, and any legal issues that may arise as a result of changes to the Hawaii Convention Center; and
- (4) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Tourism that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 14, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 14, S.D. 1.



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

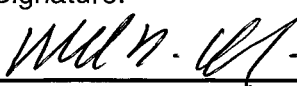
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DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Sixth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">SR 14</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">TSM, WAM</div>	Date: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">3-1-12</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
KAHELE, Gilbert	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	5			
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>				
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; font-size: 0.8em;"> <div>Distribution:</div> <div>Original</div> <div>Yellow</div> <div>Pink</div> <div>Goldenrod</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; font-size: 0.8em; margin-top: 5px;"> <div>File with Committee Report</div> <div>Clerk's Office</div> <div>Drafting Agency</div> <div>Committee File Copy</div> </div>				

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