

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 22, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 682
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred S.B. No. 682, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify and update a county fire chief's authority to review construction, alteration, and other installation plans and specifications for buildings or properties, for compliance with the fire code and fire and life safety standards, and to require that no work shall commence without the necessary permits issued by the jurisdiction having authority.

The State Fire Council, Kauai Fire Department, and a concerned individual supported this measure. The Building Industry Association of Hawaii provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding clarifying language relating to compliance with the county's adopted fire code and deleting language relating to compliance with fire and life safety standards; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2013.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 682, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 682, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,



HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



