

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1038

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2015

RE: H.R. No. 141

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.R. No. 141 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO EXAMINE EXISTING AND ALLEGED VIOLATIONS IN THE SOLID WASTE RECYCLING INDUSTRY AND FAIRLY AND EQUALLY ENFORCE APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL COMPANIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the solid waste recycling industry in Hawaii by requesting the Department of Health to:

- (1) Promptly investigate all alleged violations of laws and regulations pertaining to human health and the environment within its purview by companies operating within the solid waste recycling industry, timely issue any appropriate penalty or order any necessary corrective action, and ensure any ordered action is taken;
- (2) Provide a complaining or interested party with information regarding the status and results of any such investigation, resulting penalty, or order for corrective action; and
- (3) Fairly and equally enforce laws and regulations it is authorized to enforce against all companies operating within the solid waste recycling industry, with the goal

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of ensuring compliant, fair, and safe operations to further the ultimate end of protecting Hawaii's citizens and lands.

Schnitzer Steel Hawaii supported the measure. The Department of Health submitted comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 141 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy &
Environmental Protection,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HR141	Committee Referral: EEP, JUD, FIN	Date: 3/19/15		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)	✓			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	✓			
4. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
5. ING, Kaniela	✓			
6. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
7. SAY, Calvin K.Y.	✓			
8. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
9. POUHA, Feki	✓			
10. THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL (10)	10	0	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 10pt;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 24pt; font-family: cursive;">[Signature]</div>				
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