Honolulu, Hawaii

March 5 , 2015

RE: H.B. No. 1486

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1486 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE FUEL TAX,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to change the assessment of the State Fuel Tax from a specified 17 cents per gallon to the greater of 17 cents per gallon or an unspecified percentage of the wholesale price per gallon to the retailer, subject to a minimum amount based upon the tax paid by certain retailers.

The Building Industry Association of Hawaii; Hawaii Petroleum, Inc.; and Aloha Petroleum, Ltd. submitted testimony in opposition to this measure. The Tax Foundation of Hawaii, Department of Transportation, and Department of Taxation provided comments on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1486 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair

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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance**

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Date:	Date:		
нв 1486	FIN	2	2/18/15		
☐ The committee is reconsidering its prev	ious decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)					
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)					
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.					
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.					
5. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling					
6. JORDAN, Jo					
7. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett					
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand					
9. LOWEN, Nicole E.					
10. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	//				
11. TOKIOKA, James Kunane					
12. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.					
13. POUHA, Feki					
14. WARD, Gene					
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TOTAL (14)	1/	(	1	1	
The recommendation is: Adopted D Not Adopted					
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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