STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2351

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2983 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, to which was referred S.B. No. 2983 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR UKUMEHAME RESERVOIRS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to provide financing to assist West Maui Investors, LLC, with permits, testing, construction, and post-construction management of two Ukumehame reservoirs.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General and Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that Ukumehame Reservoir numbers 2 and 3 are earthen embankment dams constructed side-by-side along the bottom of the western slope of the Ukumehame Gulch on the island of Maui that receive water from a small diversion off of the stream in the Ukumehame Gulch, which has historically been utilized for agricultural water in the nearby area. Your Committee further finds that following the discovery of a major leak from Ukumehame Reservoir number 3 in 2008, the water level in both Reservoir numbers 2 and 3 were drawn down to minimize the risk of failure; however, the owner modified portions of the water system to bypass Ukumehame Reservoir numbers 2 and 3 and has yet

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to implement any remediation work that would address public safety.

Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds requested by this measure would finance Ukumehame Reservoir numbers 2 and 3 Kehalani offsite retention basin.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2983, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2983, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water, Land, and

Agriculture,

MIKE GABBARD, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawai'i

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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 (W	/R)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)		/				
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)						
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.			Ì			-
RIVIERE, Gil						
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	-					
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	•					
THIELEN, Laura H.						
WAKAI, Glenn						
SLOM, Sam						
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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