

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 04 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1436
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1436, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AWARDED FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for the Department of Accounting and General Services to update statewide building code standards for hurricane mitigation and secure a reimbursement grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency; Hawaii State Fire Council; Honolulu Fire Department; Department of Emergency Management, City and Council of Honolulu; Kauai Fire Department; The Maritime Group; and the Structural Engineers Association of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the State Building Code Council, which is administratively attached to the Department of Accounting and General Services, was created to review and adopt current, nationally-recognized building codes and standards to ensure compliance with various requirements of building safety. Your Committee notes that funding was never provided to the State



Building Code Council for staff and operational expenses, which has limited the effectiveness of the Council. Your Committee finds that the State Building Code Council applied for, and was awarded, a federal reimbursement grant through the Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to fund the adoption of hurricane mitigation standards. However, under the terms of the reimbursement grant, the Department of Accounting and General Services is required to use its operating funds to accomplish the project and, after a review, the Federal Emergency Management Agency will reimburse the State up to \$75,000.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the amount appropriated for fiscal year 2017-2018 from an unspecified amount to \$75,000.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1436, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1436, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,

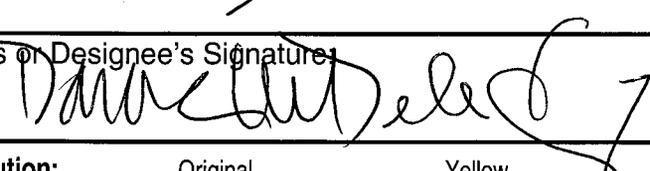


JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 1436 , HD 2	Committee Referral: WAM	Date: 3/8/17		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene				/
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				/
KAHELE, Kaiali'i				/
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
TOTAL	8			3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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