

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 06 2017

RE: H.B. No. 427  
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. 427, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DARK NIGHT SKIES PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to preserve dark night skies in Hawaii by establishing a dark night skies protection advisory committee.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Land and Natural Resources; Office of Hawaiian Affairs; University of Hawaii; Office of the Mayor, County of Hawaii; Conservation Council for Hawaii; and one individual.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Transportation.

Your Committee finds that dark night skies hold important cultural, scientific, astronomical, natural, landscape, and tourism related value. Your Committee further finds that the preservation of Hawaii's dark night skies is essential to the well-being of the State. Your Committee believes that a dark night skies protection advisory committee is necessary to develop

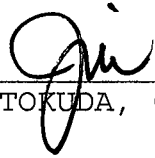


a statewide coordinated strategy to preserve the State's dark night skies.

Your Committee notes that the advisory committee's dissolution date is June 30, 2027, but that the advisory committee is only required to submit reports to the Legislature until the 2021 Regular Session. This issue may need to be addressed if a Conference Committee is convened for this measure.

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. 427, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB 427, HD2, SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HRE/AEN, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/29/17</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <del>Pass, unamended</del> 2312         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313         </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene				/
INOUE, Lorraine R.				/
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				/
WAKAI, Glenn				/
TOTAL	6			5
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted         <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted         </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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