Honolulu, Hawaii

February 16, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 618 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2017 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 618 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAND LEASES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to mandate the transfer of certain non-agricultural park lands from the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to the Department of Agriculture (DOA) by setting a deadline to transfer the lands.

One concerned individual supported this measure. The DLNR and DOA provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring that any identified non-agricultural park lands that are not transferred by the deadline be placed under the DOA by July 1, 2020;
- (2) Requiring the DLNR to be responsible for leases and agreements that are not in compliance with the Non-Agricultural Parks Program of the DOA;
- (3) Requiring DOA to assume responsibility for compliant leases and agreements and to negotiate future leases and agreements by July 1, 2020; and

(4) Inserting a savings clause.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 618, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 618, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

MANE, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 618	Committee Referral:	Date:	Feb 11	0,2017
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous 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)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)				
2. KONG, Sam Satoru (VC)			saro el 11. Combo Gartegan.	
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3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
4. EVANS, Cindy		Serial III - Seria		
5. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
6. LEE, Chris	V			
7. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
8. SAY, Calvin K.Y.				
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9. FUKUMOTO, Beth		<u>Comparator de la Comparator de la Compa</u>		
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TOTAL (9)	9			
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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