Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE:

S.B. No. 976

H.D. 1 C.D. 1

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

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

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 976, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TIER II FILING FEES FOR REPORTING OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to increase the Hawaii Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act, Tier II filing fee from \$100 to \$200.

Your Committee on Conference finds that Tier II filing fees provide preparedness resources to local emergency planning committees to conduct joint emergency planning response training, provide community outreach, purchase specialized equipment, and, in addition to reporting of hazardous substances, fund hazardous materials emergency preparedness activities. As operational and equipment costs have risen over the years, it is necessary to

increase the fee to maintain the emergency preparedness and response capabilities of the local emergency planning committees statewide.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of July 1, 2017.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 976, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 976, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

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Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: SB 976, HD 1				Date/Time: 4/26/17 ; 9:02 am					
The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
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Senate Recommendation is:				House Recommendation is:					
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