STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2128

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2666

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2666 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to codify the State's commitment to conservation and sustainability by including goal five, gender equality, of the seventeen United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and indicators, with references to existing state sustainability programs, if applicable, in the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Department of Human Services, Office of Planning, Airport Concessionaires Committee, Oahu Economic Development Board, Oahu County Legislative Priorities Committee of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii has been a leader in conservation efforts for decades, through its commitment to environmental and sustainability policies, and that the priority of the Senate for the Regular Session of 2018 is to adopt the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals at the state level. The seventeen Sustainable Development Goals are a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that all

people enjoy peace and prosperity. This measure codifies Sustainable Development Goal five, gender equality, into state law.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Codifying the Sustainable Development Goal in chapter 226, Hawaii Revised Statutes, instead of chapter 344, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2035, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2666, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2666, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary,

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Ninth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary JDC

Bill / Resolution No.:* Committee Referral: Date: Z/6/18				
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 (WR)	Nay	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	✓			
RHOADS, Karl (VC)			1	
GABBARD, Mike	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado				
THIELEN, Laura H.				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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