

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1640
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Agriculture and Environment, Government Operations, and Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism, to which was referred H.B. No. 1640, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RECYCLING,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Change the Electronic Waste and Television Recycling and Recovery Act to the Electronic Device Recycling and Recovery Act;
- (2) Establish electronic device manufacturer recycling goals and record keeping and reporting requirements for manufacturers and collectors;
- (3) Require collectors to register with the Department of Health;
- (4) Expand the recycling and collection requirements of televisions to all electronic devices; and
- (5) Require the electronic device recycling and recovery program to include, among other things, a description of



the methods for the convenient collection of electronic devices.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health, Department of Environmental Management of the County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management of the County of Hawai'i, Mr. K's Recycle and Redemption Center, Koko Kai Foods LLC, and twenty individuals. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Retail Merchants of Hawaii and Consumer Technology Association.

Your Committees find that recycling is a crucial component of the State's sustainability goals. It is essential that the State's recycling requirements reflect the conditions and types of waste produced in Hawaii. This measure, as received by your Committees, changes the Electronic Waste and Television Recycling and Recovery Act to the Electronic Device Recycling and Recovery Act and establishes additional requirements to the recycling and reporting of electronic device waste. However, your Committees find that the long-term effects of electronic device recycling requirements are unknown.

Accordingly, your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing requirements regarding electronic device recycling goals and record keeping;
- (2) Establishing a working group to study the effects of electronic device recycling requirements; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Agriculture and Environment, Government Operations, and Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1640, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1640, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means.



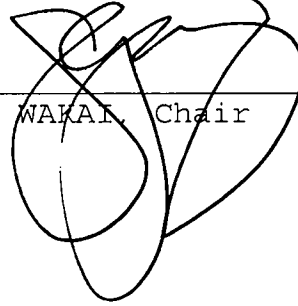
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Agriculture and
Environment, Government
Operations, and Energy,
Economic Development, and
Tourism,



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