

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 2399
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2399, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTE MANAGEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish an Extended Producer Responsibility Program;
- (2) Require certain producers of fast-moving consumer goods to register with the Department of Health and pay an annual fee based on the amount of packaging volume the covered producer places on the market each calendar year;
- (3) Establish the Extended Producer Responsibility Special Fund;
- (4) Provide for the expenditure of monies from the Extended Producer Responsibility Special Fund for the creation of a report that assesses the resources needed to reduce the volume of packaging waste sent to landfills or power plants that burn municipal solid waste as a fuel by specified percentages by a date to be determined by rule; and



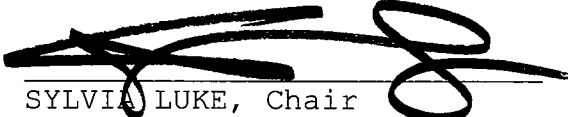
- (5) Appropriate funds for the preparation of the countywide need assessments, administration of the Extended Producer Responsibility Program, and for hiring of one full-time equivalent position.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health; one member of the Hawai'i County Council; Department of Environmental Management of the County of Hawai'i; Department of Environmental Management of the County of Maui; Big Island Reef Keepers Hui; PlasticFreeRestaurants.org; Recycle Hawai'i; Clean the Pacific; Blue Ocean Warriors; Kauai Climate Action Coalition; Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition; Kauai Women's Caucus; 350Hawaii.org; Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; Sierra Club of Hawai'i, Hawai'i Island Group; Koko Kai Foods LLC, dba Koko Kai Coconut Yogurt; Cyanotech Corporation; Zero Waste Hawai'i Island; Fair Wind Cruises; Island Naturals Markets; Volcano Precious Plastic; Sweet Cane Cafe; Zero Waste O'ahu; Hana Hou Recycling; Chamber of Sustainable Commerce; Surfrider Foundation Hawai'i Region; Hilo Downtown Improvement Association; Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action; Hawai'i Wildlife Fund; Zero Waste USA; Mr. K's Recycle & Redemption Center Inc.; No Pohō; Pono Home; a sign-on letter by numerous businesses; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Island Plastic Bags Inc., Hawaii Food Industry Association, American Beverage Association, Wine Institute, Hawaiian Chip Company, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Consumer Healthcare Products Association, and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance, Animal Health Institute, American Chemistry Council, Maui Chamber of Commerce, Plastic Paradise, and one individual.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2399, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



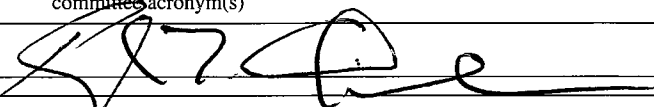
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2399 HD1	Committee Referral: EEP, CPC, FIN	Date: 3-1-22		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	/			
2. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (VC)	/			
3. BRANCO, Patrick Pihana	/			
4. ELI, Stacelynn K.M.				/
5. HOLT, Daniel				/
6. ILAGAN, Greggor	/			
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand		/		
8. MARTEN, Lisa	/			
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	/			
10. PERRUSO, Amy A.	/			
11. SAYAMA, Jackson D.	/			
12. TAM, Adrian K.	/			
13. TODD, Chris				/
14. WILDBERGER, Tina	/			
15. McDERMOTT, Bob	/			
TOTAL (15)	11	1		3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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