

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2581**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2998

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2998 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RECYCLING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Department of Health to implement the auditor's recommendations for the deposit beverage container program, including developing a risk-based selection process to select reports submitted by distributors and redemption centers for audit.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health and American Beverage Association. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Office of the Auditor conducts an audit of the Department of Health's deposit beverage container program each year. The audits repeatedly demonstrate the deposit beverage container program's failure to develop and execute procedures to verify the accuracy and completeness of data produced by the program. This measure requires the Department of Health to develop a risk-based process recommended by the Office of the Auditor to help mitigate flaws in the program.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture and Environment that is attached to this



report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2998 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Agriculture and
Environment,

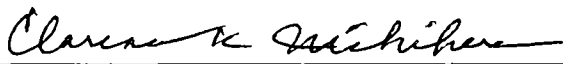


MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-First Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Agriculture and Environment
AEN

Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB2998</i>	Committee Referral: <i>AEN, WAM</i>	Date: <i>02/14/22</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	/			
ACASIO, Laura	/			
RHOADS, Karl	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt				/
TOTAL	<i>4</i>			<i>1</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
Distribution: Original Yellow Pink Goldenrod File with Committee Report Clerk's Office Drafting Agency Committee File Copy				

*Only one measure per Record of Votes