

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

614

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 17** , 2023

RE: H.B. No. 546  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2023  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Homelessness, to which was referred H.B. No. 546; H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE FUEL TANK ADVISORY COMMITTEE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Fuel Tank Advisory Committee to hold no fewer than one regular meeting in each quarter of a calendar year.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health, Department of Land and Natural Resources, City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply, Our Revolution Hawaii, and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Fuel Tank Advisory Committee was established in 2016 to study issues related to leaks at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, among other responsibilities. Annual meetings of the Advisory Committee were held until 2020. Due to the November 2021 fuel release at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, interest in the annual meetings became so great that semi-annual meetings were held in 2021 and 2022.

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Your Committee further finds that requiring the Advisory Committee to hold quarterly meetings will allow for more timely disclosure of spill events and the responses to deal with them; better communication regarding current efforts for aquifer recovery and remediation; better opportunities for the public to present their concerns; and more coordination of members of the Advisory Committee to address concerns related to the Administrative Order on Consent.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 546, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Health &  
Homelessness,



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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Thirty-second Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Health & Homelessness**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 546, HD1	<b>Committee Referral:</b> WAL/EEP, HLT, FIN	<b>Date:</b> 2/15/23		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	/			
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)	/			
3. AMATO, Terez	/			
4. ILAGAN, Greggor	/			
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	/			
6. MIZUNO, John M.	/			
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	/			
8. GARCIA, Diamond				/
<b>TOTAL (8)</b>	7			1
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b>				
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