

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 ' 2023

RE: H.B. No. 1278 H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Transportation and Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 1278 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GREEN TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- Establish green infrastructure objective and policies for transportation systems, infrastructure, and projects; and
- (2) Establish the Green Transportation Infrastructure Task Force to examine, evaluate, and develop policies for the design, implementation, and maintenance of green transportation infrastructure.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Painting Industry of Hawaii Labor Management Cooperation Trust Fund; Hawaii Tapers Market Recovery Trust Fund; Hawaii Glaziers, Architectural Metal Glassworkers Local Union 1889 AFL-CIO Stabilization Trust Fund; Carpet, Linoleum and Soft Tile Local Union 1926 Market Recovery Trust Fund; International Union of Painters and Allied Trades; Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i;



STAND. COM. REP. NO. 561 Page 2

Climate Protectors Hawai'i; Outdoor Circle; Kauai Climate Action Coalition; and seven individuals. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and Office of Planning & Sustainable Development.

Your Committees find that sustainable design concepts for public infrastructure incorporate green vegetation and trees to decrease urban temperatures, reduce carbon emissions, improve air quality, and capture water to replenish the water table. Your Committees further find that studies have determined that people who live in areas that have more trees and green space are less likely to develop acute respiratory symptoms and die of heart disease or respiratory disease. Your Committees also find that Hawaii is world-renowned for its lush vegetation and citizens and tourists actively seek out green spaces. Therefore, increasing the number of parks and green spaces in the State will increase the quality of life of residents and visitors.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- Further clarifying that the standards for tree care may include best practice standards appropriate for Hawaii;
- (2) Moving the definition of "green infrastructure" to section 264-141, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for clarity and consistency;
- (3) Adding a representative from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs on the Green Transportation Infrastructure Task Force;
- (4) Dissolving the task force on June 30, 2025, rather than June 30, 2024, for clarity and consistency;
- (5) Changing the effective date to June 30, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Transportation and Energy & Environmental Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord

2023-1715 HB1278 HD1 HSCR HMSO



with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1278, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1278, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Transportation and Energy & Environmental Protection,

ure E.

NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair

CHR

Chai TODD,



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-second Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: -10 Committee Referral: Date:									
HB1278 TRN/EEP, FIN 02/14/23									
□ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.									
The recommendation is to: Depass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold									
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)									
TRN Membe	rs	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused				
1. TODD, Chris (C)									
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
2. KILA, Darius K. (VC)									
3. AIU, Micah P.K.		V							
4. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.		n na shannann ann a' a' 1973 a a' annta a muu a	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
4. IIABIILII010, 1109 II.		terra de la composición de la							
5. KITAGAWA, Lisa				<u>na ang sang sang sang sang sang sang san</u>					
en e				anta a tanàna amin'ny fisiana amin'ny fisiana amin'ny fisiana amin'ny fisiana amin'ny fisiana amin'ny fisiana a					
6. MARTEN, Lisa									
		ەقدەمەتدىيىتى 1961-يىلى							
7. ONISHI, Richard H.K.		an a							
8. MATSUMOTO, Lauren		<u>na shindana kumatan ta shinda a</u> ka ba							
TOTAL (8)		4			3				
The recommendation is:	Adopted	Not Adopt		_					
If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)									
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: And									
Distribution: Original (White) – Committee Duplicate (Yellow) – Chief Clerk's Office Duplicate (Pink) – HMSO									
Distribution. Original (write) - Commute Duplicate (renow) - Chief Clerk's Office Duplicate (rink) - HMSO									

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-second Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 12 78	Committee T RN	Referral: EEP, FIN	Date	: 02/14	12023
The committee is reconsidering its				/	/
	Pass, unamended (Pass short form bil	as is) D Pass I with HD to recom	with amendments mit for future publi		
EEP Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LOWEN, Nicole E. (C)					
2. COCHRAN, Elle (VC)		V	/		
	·			anatali wa milaka akaoni a ara ara a	
3. GATES, Cedric Asuega					
4. KAHALOA, Kirstin	and a second definition of a construction of the sequence of the second s	V		and a second and a second s	Cr
			an Annih I ann a' an		A
5. PERRUSO, Amy A.		$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$			MAL
			Alt		
6. WOODSON, Justin H.					
7. WARD, Gene		allah (1/1a-zanana) and a single	l <u>Bargland Ball</u> in.		
				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
TOTAL (7)	/	5	D	\bigcirc	2
	Adopted joint referral,	Not Adopte contrinitiee acronym(s	did not supp	ort recommendatio	n.
Vice Chair's or designee's signature	e:	<u>M</u>	(OMM	m	
Distribution: Original (White) – Co	ommittee Du	uplicate (Yellow) -	Chief Clerk's Offic	e Duplicate (Pink) – HMSO