

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3319**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1925
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1925, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE PLANNING ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish the Hawaii State Planning Act Phase II Task Force; and
- (2) Appropriate funds.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture; Office of Planning and Sustainable Development; Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Holomua Collaborative; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; aio; Hawai'i Gas; Hawaiian Host Group; HPM Building Supply; Title Guaranty of Hawai'i; Tori Richard, Ltd.; Mana Up; and one individual.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the University of Hawai'i Economic Research Organization and Hawai'i Community Foundation.




Your Committee finds that since the completion of the first comprehensive review of the Hawaii State Planning Act in 1985, the State has experienced significant economic, physical, social, and technological changes, rendering the findings and recommendations made in that review outdated. Considering these circumstances, the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development completed Phase I of a comprehensive review of the Hawaii State Planning Act in 2018, which yielded findings and recommendations that provide a foundation and scope of a recommended Phase II update, including an approach to align current and emerging conditions and issues to enhance the effectiveness of planning, the needs of Hawaii's people, and the future of the trajectory of the State. This measure will continue to build on the work done and involve the community in updating and simplifying the Hawaii State Plan.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that the Hawaii State Planning Act Phase II Task Force shall include the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, or their designee; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1925, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1925, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water and Land,


LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB1925, HD2	Committee Referral: WTL, WAM	Date: 3/21/24		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	5	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes