STAND. COM. REP. NO. **575**-24

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 ' 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2089 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 2089 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUILDING CODE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require that the adoption, amendment, or update of a building code or standard by the State Building Code Council be within two years of every other official publication date of a code or standard.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from HPM Building Supply; D.R. Horton Hawaii LLC; Building Industry Association of Hawaii; Grassroot Institute of Hawaii; NAIOP Hawaii; Japanese Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Hawaii; American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii; Holomua Collaborative; and two individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Blue Planet Foundation; American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers; and Sierra Club of Hawaii. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawaii State Energy Office and Hawaii Energy.

Your Committee finds that this measure will allow for more time so that all stakeholders concur, resulting in quicker review times and a smoother permitting and construction process.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Reverting to the existing schedule of adoption, amendment, or update of the Hawaii State Building Codes;
- (2) Requiring that the adoption, amendment, or update of the International Building Code and International Residential Code by the State Building Code Council be within two years of every other official publication date of the applicable code or standard;
- (3) Providing that if a county does not amend the Hawaii State Building Codes within the required two-year time frame, the Hawaii State Building Codes will become applicable as the interim county building code, until superseded by the adoption of an amended version of the Hawaii State Building Codes or standards by the county;
- (4) Changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2089, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2089, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chai

State of Hawaii



Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2089	Committee Referral: WAL, CPC	Date	2/13/	24
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)	✓			
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)	√			
3. CHUN, Cory M.				. *
4. GANADEN, Sonny				
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
6. MIZUNO, May Besario				
7. MORIKAWA, Dee	/			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	▼			
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9. SOUZA, Kanani				
TOTAL (9)	7		0	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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