

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 27 2025**

RE: S.B. No. 329

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 329 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend requirements for wastewater treatment.

More specifically, the measure:

- (1) Requires at least fifty percent of treatment works effluent to be R-1 recycled water by January 1, 2045; and
- (2) Extends from 2026 to 2030 the year by which no treated or raw sewage shall be discharged into state waters.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Department of Health.

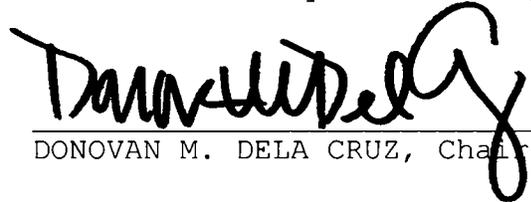
Your Committee finds that upgrading the State's water treatment and water recycling infrastructure will produce short-term and long-term environmental benefits by reducing water



pollution and creating a sustainable source of irrigation water for agricultural production and other uses.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 329 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**WAM**

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SB329	AEN, WAM	2-18-2025

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  
If so, then the previous decision was to: \_\_\_\_\_

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312     Pass, with amendments 2311     Hold 2310     Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn				X
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	12	0	0	1

Recommendation:  Adopted     Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:

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