

Honolulu, Hawaii  
**FEB 12**, 2026

RE: H.B. No. 1924  
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 1924 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RECYCLING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish the Mattress Stewardship Program, which requires producers to designate stewardship organizations to develop and implement plans to ensure collection, reuse, donation, and recycling opportunities for mattresses, box springs, and mattress foundations.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Reef and Ocean Coalition; Climate Protectors Hawai'i; and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the International Sleep Products Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Health and Retail Merchants of Hawai'i.

Your Committee finds that discarded mattresses, box springs, and mattress foundations present a major challenge to Hawaii's solid waste management system and that materials from these products should be reused and recycled. Your Committee further finds that a number of states have established extended producer responsibility programs for these products, promoting landfill diversion and reducing illegal dumping. While your Committee



recognizes the need to address this persistent solid waste challenge, your Committee finds that the implementation of a mattress stewardship program is premature and that further work is needed to develop such a program.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing provisions establishing the Mattress Stewardship Program and Mattress Stewardship Special Fund and replacing it with a Mattress Stewardship Working Group;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) 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 Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1924, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1924, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Energy &  
Environmental Protection,



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NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair



**Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 1924</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EEP, CPC, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/10/26</b>
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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)

EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LOWEN, Nicole E. (C)	✓			
2. PERRUSO, Amy A. (VC)	✓			
3. CHUN, Cory M.	✓			
4. KAHALOA, Kirstin	✓			
5. KUSCH, Matthias	✓			
6. QUINLAN, Sean				✓
7. MATSUMOTO, Lauren				✓
<b>TOTAL (7)</b>	<b>5</b>			<b>2</b>

The recommendation is:  Adopted  Not Adopted  
 If joint referral, \_\_\_\_\_ did not support recommendation.  
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: *Amy Perruso*

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