

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3583

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 2026

RE: S.R. No. 159

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts and Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.R. No. 159 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT TO CONVENE A DEMOLITION WASTE REDUCTION WORKING GROUP,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to convene a Demolition Waste Reduction Working Group.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from two individuals.

Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development.

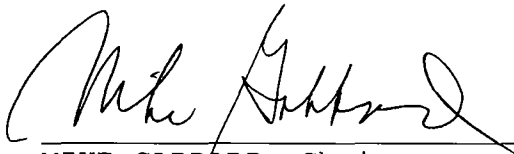
Your Committees find that landfill facilities in the State are nearing capacity, and local communities continue to protest their expansion and the creation of new facilities. While local recycling nonprofits and community-based organizations have advocated for deconstruction, reuse, and circular economy practices, your Committees believe that a working group guided by the expertise of the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development will assist in coordinating efforts across industries and removing systemic barriers to implementing these practices.



This measure helps to facilitate the coordinated development of sustainable waste management policies for the benefit of public and environmental health.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts and Agriculture and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 159 and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Water, Land,
Culture and the Arts and
Agriculture and Environment,



MIKE GABBARD, Chair

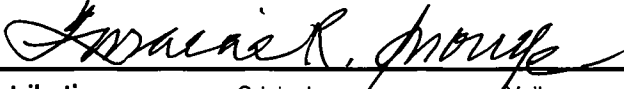


CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Third Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts
WLA

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SR 159	WLA/AEN	4-8-2026
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
LEE, Chris (C)	✓	
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓	
CHANG, Stanley	✓	
LAMOSAO, Rachele	✓	
DECORTE, Samantha		✓
TOTAL	4	1
Recommendation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
		
Distribution:		
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

