

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 289-08

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 12, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2781
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns,
to which was referred H.B. No. 2781 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to assist small businesses
through the regulatory process by requiring an agency to:

- (1) Include, in its Small Business Impact Statement,
information comparing the costs and benefits of a
proposed rule, to those of the comparable or related
federal, state, or county law;
- (2) Justify the proposed higher standard; and
- (3) Periodically identify and justify existing rules that
impose those higher standards.

The Small Business Regulatory Review Board (Board), National
Federation of Independent Business in Hawaii, and Hawaii Business
League testified in support of this bill. The Department of
Business, Economic Development, and Tourism supported the intent
of this measure. The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

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- (1) Deleting the option to include the evaluation report with the annual report;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2034, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2781, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2781, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Business
Concerns,



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2781	Committee Referral: EDB, FIN	Date: 2/5/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EDB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)	✓			
2. WAKAI, Glenn (VC)	✓			
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.	✓			
4. BROWER, Tom	✓			
5. CHANG, Jerry L.	✓			
6. HANOHANO, Faye P.	✓			
7. HERKES, Robert N.	✓			
8. MANAHAN, Joey				✓
9. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
10. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
11. CHING, Corinne W.L.				✓
12. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
TOTAL (12)	10	∅	∅	2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small style="margin-left: 100px;">committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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