

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1458-08

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 28, 2008

RE: H.C.R. No. 167

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.C.R. No. 167 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO
CONDUCT A FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE NATURAL
ENERGY LABORATORY OF HAWAII AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to instruct the
Auditor to conduct a financial audit of the Natural Energy
Laboratory of Hawaii Authority (NELHA).

The Hawaii Aquaculture Association, Keahole Point
Association, Royal Hawaiian Sea Farms, Inc., Pacific Planktonics,
and a concerned individual testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee finds that tenants of NELHA have been paying
less than the actual cost to NELHA, of delivering deep sea water
to its tenants. In addition, there seems to be a conflict between
NELHA and its tenants over the actual cost of pumping deep sea
water to the surface. By conducting an audit of NELHA, the real
costs of NELHA's operations can be determined, and a reasonable
rate structure, developed and charged.

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 concurs with the intent
and purpose of H.C.R. No. 167 and recommends that it be referred
to the Committee on Legislative Management.

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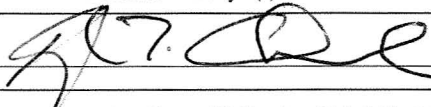
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Business
Concerns,



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



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

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| Bill/Resolution No.: HCR167 | Committee Referral: EDB, LMG | Date: 3/25/08 | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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. | / | | | |
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| TOTAL (12) | 10 | | | 2 |
| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature:  | | | | |
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