

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ZONING AND PLANNING

## Voting Members:

Ikaika Anderson, Chair; Breene Harimoto, Vice-Chair;  
Ann H. Kobayashi, Ron Menor, Kymberly Marcos Pine

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Committee Meeting Held  
April 24, 2014

Honorable Ernest Y. Martin  
Chair, City Council  
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Zoning and Planning, to which was referred Bill 35 (2014) entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO STOCKPILING OF SOIL,"

which passed First Reading at the April 16, 2014 Council meeting, reports as follows:

The purpose of Bill 35 (2014) is to amend the city's stockpiling regulations by requiring that stockpiled material on agricultural zoned lands be free from contaminants, construction debris, or other material that may impair the agricultural productivity of soils at the site.

Councilmember Pine, the introducer of the Bill, explained that the Bill is intended to address illegal dumping on agricultural land.

The Director and Deputy Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting testified that the Department is generally in support of the Bill. The Department has concerns, however, about logistical and practical issues that may affect implementation of the Bill. One concern is that the Department's inspectors may have difficulty determining if deleterious material is present in stockpiled material. Another concern is that certain materials, such as salt, may be deleterious to agricultural productivity only above a certain threshold.

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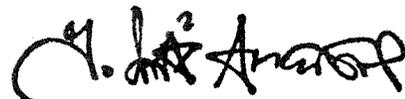
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Your Committee received testimony in support of the Bill from the Land Use Research Foundation, and five members of the public. Testimony in opposition to the Bill was received from the Hawaii Agriculture Research Center. Comments were received from the Windward Oahu Soil and Water Conservation District and two members of the public.

Your Committee believes that additional public testimony at the public hearing recommended herein to be scheduled on this Bill will provide further assistance to your Committee and to the Council in their deliberations on this Bill.

Your Committee on Zoning and Planning recommends that Bill 35 (2014) pass Second Reading, be scheduled for public hearing, and be referred back to Committee. (Ayes: Anderson, Kobayashi, Menor, Pine – 4; Noes: None; Excused: Harimoto - 1.)

Respectfully submitted,



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Committee Chair

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