

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 3309

Relating to the State Department of Geology and Minerals

HB 3309 repeals statutory language that restricts the construction of new essential facilities and new special occupancy structures in a tsunami inundation zone.

The bill further repeals a requirement that the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries adopt tsunami inundation zone parameters and grant exceptions to restrictions in tsunami inundation zones.

Clarifying language is provided which states that excavation or grading operations that are associated with on-site construction activities and do not result in excavated materials being sold commercially are not defined as “surface mining.”

The bill has a minimal fiscal impact.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 3309 be reported out do pass.