

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 14, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2930
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Hawaiian Affairs and Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.B. No. 2930 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAIIAN TRADITIONAL AND CUSTOMARY PRACTICES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to preserve Hawaiian traditional and customary gathering practices by:

- (1) Establishing a pilot project that designates areas within public parks in Waianae to maintain plants and trees for Hawaiian traditional and customary gathering practices;
- (2) Requiring the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to submit a report to the Legislature on the Hawaiian traditional and customary gathering practices program and the feasibility of operating the program in all public parks statewide; and
- (3) Appropriating an unspecified amount of funds for the pilot project.

Several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. DLNR provided comments.

Your Committees have amended this bill by:

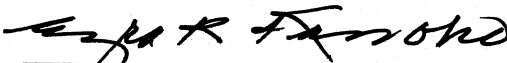
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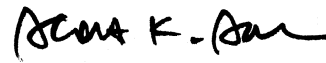
- (1) Removing the height limit requirement for trees in the pilot program;
- (2) Specifying the amount of appropriation as \$500,000; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Hawaiian Affairs and Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2930, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2930, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Hawaiian Affairs
and Water, Land, & Ocean
Resources,



EZRA R. KANOHO, Chair



SCOTT K. SAIKI, Chair



