

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 30, 2006

RE: H.R. No. 97

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.R. No. 97 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH USER ADVISORY COMMITTEES FOR THE SMALL BOAT HARBORS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to regulate the uses of the State's small boat harbors in a fair and consistent manner by requesting the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to establish user advisory committees for each small boat harbor under the Board of Land and Natural Resource's (BLNR) jurisdiction. Specifically, each user advisory committee would be responsible for advising BLNR on all matters relating to the operation and management of the small boat harbor for which it is responsible.

The Ala Wai Marina Community Association, Hawaii Boaters Political Action Association, and concerned individuals supported this measure. DLNR and a concerned individual supported the intent of this measure.

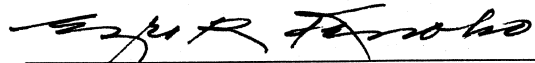
DLNR raised concerns regarding similar groups formed in the past that could not be sustained due to limited resources and suggested that user advisory committees be formed on a temporary and as-needed basis. Your Committee finds that through rule-making, DLNR can establish user advisory committees in a manner that is most befitting to the needs of each small boat harbor.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 97 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, &
Ocean Resources,


EZRA R. KANOHO, Chair



