

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2462
S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Water, Land, and Agriculture and
Intergovernmental Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2462
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MAKENA-KEONEOIO GOVERNMENT
ROAD,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to direct the County of Maui
to limit access on the Makena-Keoneoio Government Road through the
Ahihi-Kinau Natural Area Reserve.

Testimony in opposition to this measure was submitted by the
Department of Land and Natural Resources.

The Ahihi-Kinau Natural Area Reserve contains numerous
ancient Hawaiian archaeological and cultural sites; fragile
anchialine ponds, containing endangered endemic aquatic species;
and isolated coves, small bays, and coral reefs, containing
numerous species of marine fauna, including fish, crustaceans,
corals, and aquatic vegetation. The Makena-Keoneoio Government
Road, which runs through the reserve, allows uncontrolled public
access to the reserve. Your Committees find that this
uncontrolled influx of visitors is having an enormous negative
impact on the reserve and its resources. Thus, this measure
directs the County of Maui to limit the public access on the
portion of the Makena-Keoneoio Government Road where it runs
through the reserve.



Your Committees noted that the Department of Land and Natural Resources opposed this measure because the department is in the process of developing a comprehensive community-developed management plan for the Ahihi-Kinai Natural Area Reserve. As a part of the plan, the department is addressing the uncontrolled public access to the reserve. However, your Committees find that time is of the essence, as resources in this area are negatively impacted each day that there is no action.

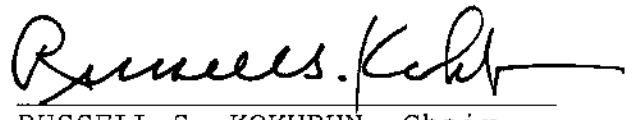
Your Committees have amended this measure by inserting the effective date of July 1, 2050 to facilitate further discussion on this issue.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water, Land, and Agriculture and Intergovernmental Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2462, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2462, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Water, Land, and
Agriculture and
Intergovernmental Affairs,



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair

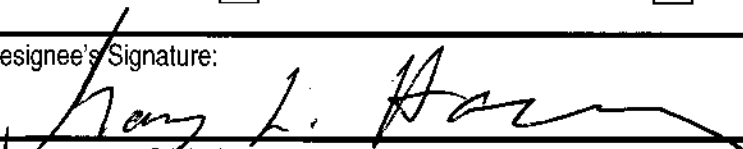


RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Third Legislature
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Record of Votes of the
Committee on Water, Land and Agriculture
(Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* <i>SB 2462</i>	Committee Referral: <i>WLA/IGA</i>	Date: <i>2/27/04</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (2312) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (2311) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold (2310) <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit (2313)				
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (C)	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L. (VC)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol				✓
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
TOTAL	<i>3</i>			<i>2</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Do not list more than one measure per Record of Votes.

