

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 565-08

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 15, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 3175

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 3175 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL MARINE FISHING REPORTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to conform state law to federal law by changing the title of the Hawaii Revised Statutes section relating to reporting requirements for commercial marine fishing catches.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. Several concerned individual opposed this measure. A concerned individual provided comments.

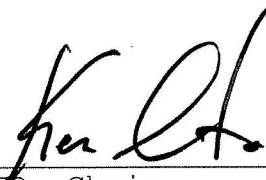
Your Committee finds that this section title change is necessary to allow DLNR to require more frequent bottomfish catch monitoring to comply with the annual catch limit mandates in recent amendments to the federal Magnuson-Stevens Act. However, your Committee finds that it is not DLNR's intent to change reporting requirements for the other types of catches.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 3175 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



KEN ITO, Chair



