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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1315
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs and Public Safety and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 1315 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to transfer the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement from the Department of Land and Natural Resources to the Department of Public Safety.

Testimony in opposition of this measure was submitted by two state agencies, three organizations, and eleven public citizens. Copies of written testimony are available for review on the Legislature's website.

Your Committees find that with the economic downturn affecting the state budget, a comprehensive reexamination of the structure of the state government is necessary to ensure that all available avenues have been explored to accomplish more with fewer resources.

Your Committees recommend that a financial analysis of the fiscal impact and savings for transferring the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement to the Department of Public Safety be conducted by the Committee on Ways and Means.



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Your Committees have amended this measure by amending the effective date to July 1, 2050 for the purpose of encouraging further discussion.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs and Public Safety and Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1315, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1315, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Water, Land,
Agriculture, and Hawaiian
Affairs and Public Safety and
Military Affairs,



WILL ESPERO, Chair



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



