

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1125

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2009

RE: S.B. No. 1311
S.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
S.B. No. 1311, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AQUATIC RESOURCES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to allow the University of Hawaii
(UH) to more effectively study and protect the natural resources
of the Hawaii Marine Laboratory Refuge (Refuge) by:

- (1) Permitting UH to use staff in addition to the land,
buildings, apparatus, and appliances of the Department
of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) for the biological
laboratory; and
- (2) Exempting UH from any law that requires a permit or
application to carry out repair and maintenance of the
Refuge.

UH supported this bill. KAHEA opposed this measure. DLNR
offered comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report,
your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B.
No. 1311, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and
be referred to the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Higher Education,



JERRY L. CHANG, Chair

