

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 8, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 1793
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.B. No. 1793 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect native species of sandalwood trees by:

- (1) Requiring a permit to export raw or unprocessed sandalwood timber; and
- (2) Establishing penalties for the destruction or harvesting of native sandalwood trees.

Hui Ho'omalua i ka Aina and an individual provided testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Defining "native Hawaiian sandalwood species";
- (2) Requiring that the Department of Land and Natural Resources identify native Hawaiian sandalwood species;
- (3) Requiring that the Department of Land and Natural Resources establish rules regarding the issuance of

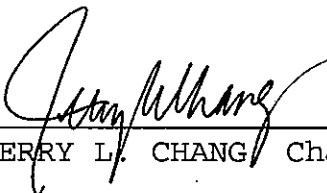


permits for harvesting or destroying a native Hawaiian sandalwood tree;

- (4) Authorizing a processing fee for permits issued;
- (5) Providing that processing fees and penalties collected be deposited into the forest stewardship fund established under section 195F-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1793, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1793, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

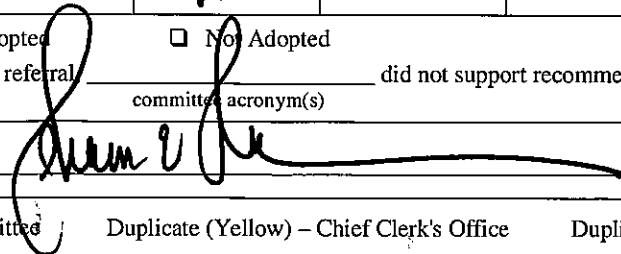
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, &
Ocean Resources,



JERRY L. CHANG Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1793	Committee Referral: WLO, JUD, FIN	Date: 4/27/12 2/3/12	<i>SELL</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WLO Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CHANG, Jerry L. (C)	X			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	X			
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				X
4. CARROLL, Mele	X			
5. COFFMAN, Denny	X			
6. HERKES, Robert N.	X			
7. ITO, Ken	X			
8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	X			
9. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	X			
10. RIVIERE, Gil	X			
11. THIELEN, Cynthia	X			
TOTAL (11)	10			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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