

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 4, 2012

RE: H.C.R. No. 84
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 Judiciary, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 84 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE ADOPTION OF LAWS TO REQUIRE WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE LANDOWNER IN ORDER TO HUNT ON PRIVATE LANDS AND TO DEFINE PLACES OF FORMAL HUNTING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Department of Land and Natural Resources to adopt laws that require written permission from landowners in order for hunters to hunt on private lands and that places of formal hunting be defined in the law.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, W.H. Shipman Limited, the Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, and numerous individuals supported this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources commented on this resolution. The Office of Hawaii Affairs opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Revising the title of this resolution by deleting from it the phrase "and to define places of formal hunting";
- (2) Inserting into the first "Whereas" on page one a reference to section 663-10.99, HRS, which involves a limitation of liability on the owners of agricultural land;



(3) Revising the first BE IT RESOLVED clause by inserting that the Abercrombie Administration consider initiating legislation to require written permission from landowners in order to hunt on private lands;

(4) Inserting a new BE IT RESOLVED clause that requests that the Administration consider the appropriateness of certain amendments to Section 183D-26, HRS;

(5) Inserting another new BE IT RESOLVED clause that requests that the Administration consider the appropriateness of certain amendments to Section 708-813, HRS; and

(6) Revising the last BE IT RESOLVED clause so as to send copies of this Resolution also to the Governor of the State of Hawaii and the Mayors and Councils of the Counties.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 84, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 84, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,


GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



