STAND. COM. REP. NO. 708

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 12 12

RE: H.B. No. 988 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Water & Land and Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 988 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATIVE WILDLIFE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect native wildlife in the State by increasing the environmental response, energy, and food security tax by an unspecified amount until June 30, 2015, and then increasing the environmental response tax by \$0.02 per barrel on June 30, 2015, and depositing a specified amount of the increases into the Wildlife Recovery and Rehabilitation Special Fund to support the operations of a facility that will respond to oil and fuel-related disasters affecting native wildlife.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Conservation Council for Hawaii, Hawaii Wildlife Center, and several individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Budget and Finance, the Department of Land and Natural Resources, the Department of Taxation, and the Tax Foundation of Hawaii provided comments on this measure.

Your Committees have amended this measure by clarifying that the environmental response tax collected shall be deposited into the Environmental Response Revolving Fund except for the amounts that shall be deposited into the Wildlife Recovery and Rehabilitation Special Fund. As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water & Land and Energy & Environmental Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 988, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 988, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Water & Land and Energy & Environmental Protection,

CHRIS LEE, Chair

CINDY EVANS ( Chair

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Bill/Resolution No.:  #B 988	Committee Referral:  WAL EEP, 1	Date:	28/	3			
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.							
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)							
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused			
1. EVANS, Cindy (C)							
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)	V						
3. COFFMAN, Denny							
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				レ			
5. HANOHANO, Faye P.	V						
6. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.				V			
7. LEE, Chris	V						
8. FALE, Richard Lee				V			
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TOTAL (9)	6			3			
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)							
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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 9 88	Committee Referral:	Date:	2/8/13	3			
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.							
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)							
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused			
1. LEE, Chris (C)	X						
2. THIELEN, Cynthia (VC)	×						
3. COFFMAN, Denny	X						
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				X			
5. EVANS, Cindy	X	,,,,					
6. HANOHANO, Faye P.	X						
7. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.				X			
8. LOWEN, Nicole E.	X	1					
9. FALE, Richard Lee				X			
TOTAL (9)	6			3			
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