Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: H.C.R. No. 14

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 14 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES TO RECOGNIZE THE RECOVERY OF HAWAIIAN GREEN SEA TURTLES AND BEGIN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT OF THIS IMPORTANT SPECIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge:

- (1) The United States to recognize the recovery of the Hawaiian green sea turtle and begin active management of this species; and
- (2) The United States Fish and Wildlife Service to designate the Hawaiian green sea turtle as a distinct population segment and delist it from the threatened species list under the Endangered Species Act.

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Maunalua Hawaiian Civic Club, Outrigger Enterprises Group, and several individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Center for Biological Diversity, The Humane Society of the United States, Turtle Island Restoration Network, Animal Rights Hawaii, Conservation Council for Hawaii, For the Fishes, and numerous individuals provided testimony in opposition to this measure. A few individuals provided comments on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 14 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs,

FAYE P. NANOHANO, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 14	Committee Referral:		Date: 02/13/2013		
☐ 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)					
OMH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. HANOHANO, Faye P. (C)					
2. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)					
3. COFFMAN, Denny				√	
4. EVANS, Cindy					
5. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.					
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6. LEE, Chris				√	
7. LOWEN, Nicole E.		√			
8. FALE, Richard Lee					
TOTAL (8)	4	1	K	3	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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