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NEIL ABERCROMBIE
GOVERNOR

April 28, 2014

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki,
Speaker and Members of the
House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on April 28, 2014, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2875 HD1

RELATING TO THE ENDANGERED SPECIES
RECOVERY COMMITTEE
ACT 053 (14)

Aloha
Sincerely,
Neil Abercrombie

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii

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STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 053
S.B. NO. 2875
H.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENDANGERED SPECIES RECOVERY COMMITTEE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 195D-25, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) There is established within the department for
4 administrative purposes only, the endangered species recovery
5 committee, which shall serve as a consultant to the board and
6 the department on matters relating to endangered, threatened,
7 proposed, and candidate species. The committee shall consist of
8 two field biologists with expertise in conservation biology, the
9 chairperson of the board or the chairperson's designee, the
10 ecoregion director of the United States Fish and Wildlife
11 Service or the director's designee, the director of the United
12 States Geological Survey, Biological Resources Division or the
13 director's designee, [~~and~~] the director of the University of
14 Hawaii Environmental Center or the director's designee[-], and a
15 person possessing a background in native Hawaiian traditional
16 and customary practices, as evidenced by:

17 (1) A college degree in a relevant field, such as Hawaiian
18 studies, native Hawaiian law, native Hawaiian

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- 1 traditional and customary practices, or related
- 2 subject area;
- 3 (2) Work history that demonstrates an appropriate level of
- 4 knowledge in native Hawaiian traditional and customary
- 5 practices; or
- 6 (3) Substantial experience in native Hawaiian traditional
- 7 and customary practices.

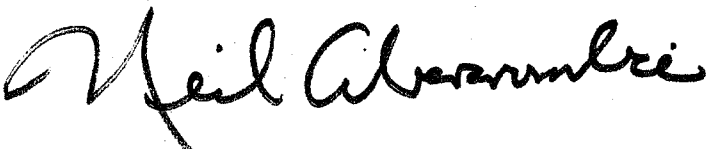
8 Nongovernmental members shall be appointed by the governor
 9 pursuant to section 26-34. Nongovernmental members shall not
 10 serve for more than two consecutive terms. Nongovernmental
 11 members shall serve for four-year staggered terms, except that
 12 one of the members first appointed shall serve for two years.

13 Governmental members from the federal agencies are
 14 requested but not required to serve on the committee. The
 15 ability of the committee to carry out its functions and purposes
 16 shall not be affected by the vacancy of any position allotted to
 17 a federal governmental member."

18 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 28 day of APR , 2014



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII