

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3391

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 04 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1553  
S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1553, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE AHA MOKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the administration and operational expenses of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee.

In addition, this measure provides funding for community education on the administrative structure regarding the Aha Moku System and on natural and cultural resource management.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; the Aha Moku Advisory Committee; and the Hawaiian Affairs Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the Aha Moku Advisory Committee has made tremendous strides in integrating indigenous resource management practices with modern management practices, as well as bringing sustainability and a new wealth of knowledge to the protection and conservation of the State's natural resources. Your Committee further finds that the Aha Moku Advisory Committee needs additional funding so that it may continue to advise the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources on natural

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resource management and educate the community on the best practices regarding the Aha Moku System.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation amounts to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1553, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1553, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,




DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1553 SDI	WTL, WAM	3-28-14		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
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Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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