Honolulu, Hawaii

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H.B. No. 1903 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1903 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OUTDOOR HERITAGE MONTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to celebrate Hawaii's diverse natural environment and outdoor recreational activities by designating the month of September of each year as Outdoor Heritage Month

The Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, Hawai'i County Council member representing District 3, Hawaii County Game Management Advisory Commission, Hawaii Hunting Association, National Rifle Association of America, and many individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources submitted comments.

Your Committee finds that several existing state and national initiatives celebrating the natural environment and encouraging outdoor recreation are already recognized annually during the month of June. Your Committee finds that establishing the annual recognition of Hawaii's outdoor heritage to coincide with National Trails Day, National Fishing and Boating Week, Take Pride in America, and the annual presidential and gubernatorial proclamations of Great Outdoors Month, will facilitate coordinated events celebrating the State's forests, parks, waters, and lands

and will also take advantage of federal initiatives celebrating the nation's natural resources.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by designating June, instead of September, as Outdoor Heritage Month.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1903, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1903, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water & Land.

CINDY EVANS Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1903	Committee Referral:	Date	1-29-1	4
☐ 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)	/			
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2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)				
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
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4. HANOHANO, Faye P.		, ,		
5. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.				
6. LEE, Chris				
7. SAY, Calvin K.Y.				_
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