

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 18, 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2330
S.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 Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian
Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2330, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KANEOHE BAY REGIONAL
COUNCIL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend provisions relating
to the Kaneohe Bay Regional Council (Council) by:

- (1) Removing the Superintendent of Education from the
Council;
- (2) Deleting the requirement that only a nongovernmental
member of the Council be elected as chair;
- (3) Deleting the provision that prohibits a chairperson from
serving as chair for more than two consecutive years;
- (4) Requiring the Administrator of the Division of Aquatic
Resources of the Department of Land and Natural
Resources to serve as the chair of the Council;
- (5) Requiring that the Council hold quarterly public
meetings on the status of the implementation of the
master plan for the bay; and



- (6) Requiring that the Council submit a report of its findings and recommendations on the applicability and relevance of the powers, duties, and functions of the Council in relation to the statutory amendments of this measure to the Legislature no later than 20 days before the convening of the Regular Session of 2015.

The Aha Moku Advisory Council, Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club, Ko'olau Foundation, and a few individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. An individual provided testimony in opposition to this measure. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and Department of Land and Natural Resources provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee notes that the Department of Land and Natural Resources has suggested that a non-governmental member should serve as Council Chair, rather than the Administrator of the Division of Aquatic Resources.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2330, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Water & Land.

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



FAYE E. HANOZANO, Chair



