

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1173

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 01 2013

RE: S.R. No. 108

S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Energy and Environment and Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.R. No. 108 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING HAWAII RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES TO COMPLY WITH THE CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA AND NOT TO BUY OR SELL IVORY OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN THAT MAY HAVE BEEN ILLEGALLY SMUGGLED INTO THE STATE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge Hawaii residents and businesses to comply with the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora and not to buy or sell ivory of unknown origin that may have been illegally smuggled into the State.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Animal Rights Hawaii, Hawaiian Humane Society, Humane Society of the United States, and twenty individuals.

Your Committees find that African elephants and rhinoceroses are being hunted to extinction due to the high price of ivory. The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, adopted by the United States, banned the sale of African elephant ivory in 1989. Despite international and national bans, your Committees find that one-third of ivory products sold in the United States have illegal origins. Your Committees also find that compliance with the Convention on

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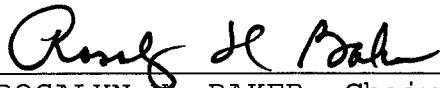


International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora as it relates to the ban on the sale of ivory products in the State will contribute to protecting African elephants and rhinoceroses from extinction.

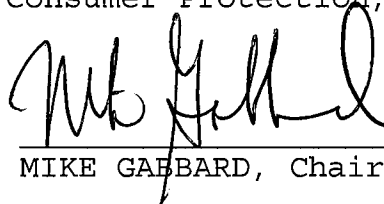
Your Committees have amended this measure by adding a paragraph urging the various chambers of commerce of Hawaii to provide their members with copies of this measure and information about the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy and Environment and Commerce and Consumer Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 108, as amended herein, and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 108, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy and
Environment and Commerce and
Consumer Protection,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

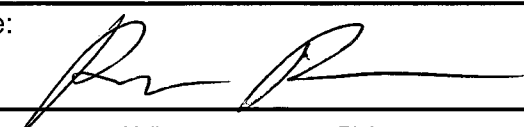


MIKE GABBARD, Chair



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Record of Votes
Committee on Energy and Environment
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 108	Committee Referral: ENE/CPN, JDL	Date: 9/1/13		
<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
GABBARD, Mike (C)	X			
RUDERMAN, Russell E. (VC)	X			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				X
IHARA, Jr., Les				X
SLOM, Sam	X			
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

