

SCR145/SR81

Proposed

Measure Title:

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO AFFIRM ITS COMMITMENT TO MAKE THE STATE THE LEAD IN THE CONSERVATION, MANAGEMENT, AND PROTECTION OF HAWAII'S NATURAL RESOURCES AND TO RESIST EFFORTS BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO EXPAND THE FEDERAL JURISDICTION OVER HAWAII'S NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE DESIGNATION OF CRITICAL HABITAT, EXPANSION OF CURRENT CO-MANAGER RELATIONSHIPS, OR THE CREATION OF NEW CO-MANAGER RELATIONSHIPS

Package: None

Current Referral: WTL/PSM/WAM

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3/7/2014	S	Offered.
3/13/2014	S	Referred to WTL/PSM, WAM.
3/28/2014	S	Re-Referred to WTL/PSM/WAM.
3/28/2014	S	The committee(s) on WTL/PSM/WAM has scheduled a public hearing on 04-01-14 9:45AM in conference room 211.

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Before the Senate Committees on
WATER AND LAND
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PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
and
WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, April 1, 2014
9:45 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 211

In consideration of
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 145, PROPOSED SENATE DRAFT 1
SENATE RESOLUTION 81, PROPOSED SENATE DRAFT 1
URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO AFFIRM
ITS COMMITMENT TO MAKE THE STATE THE LEAD IN THE CONSERVATION,
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TO RESIST EFFORTS BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO EXPAND FEDERAL
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Senate Concurrent Resolution 145, Proposed Senate Draft 1/Senate Resolution 81, Proposed Senate Draft 1 urges the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to affirm its commitment to make the state the lead in the conservation, management, and protection of Hawaii's natural resources and to resist efforts by the federal government to expand federal jurisdiction over Hawaii's natural resources in the designation of critical habitats, expansion of co-manager relationships, or the creation of new co-manager relationships. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) offers the following comments.**

The Department has taken the lead on many initiatives to conserve and manage Hawaii's natural resources and is committed to remain in this leadership role. The Department also will continue to advance the state's interests by working closely with the federal government on issues such as the designation of critical habitats, and the expansion and creation of co-manager relationships.

However, the Department must work within the constraints of the legal framework as well as funding. Currently, state dollars are leveraged by federal funds to support several of our

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programs. Given adequate resources to provide active protection of endangered species, the Department can reduce the number of listed species and the designation of critical habitat. Similarly, the Department is better positioned to take the lead in co-manager relationships when it can provide staff and funding commensurate to the federal government's investments. In addition to the Department's commitment to seek a leadership role, providing increased capacity to the Department will expand the state's influence over the management and protection of Hawaii's public trust resources.

The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alex Franco	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Roy N Morioka	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Honorable Legislators: I strongly support this resolution SCR 145 SD1 bringing home rule to the State of Hawaii over our unique and precious natural resources. Hawaii should never be subordinate to the U.S. Government regarding the protection and management of our natural resources. I reiterate that it is of great importance that we do not allow the Federal Government dictate oversight of OUR natural resources. I apologize for not being able to attend this critical hearing as I will be in Alexandria, VA attending the NOAA Rec Fish Summit. Respectfully yours, Roy Morioka

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Nancy Davlantes	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I know this is a resolution and doesn't have the force of legislation, but SD1 is a gut and replace, nevertheless. The wording and the intent in the original bill is completely different from SD1. With so many gut and replace tactics in this past session, it's really depressing that this sneaky business affects even resolutions. What's the point?

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