

Honolulu, Hawaii  
April 8, 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2156  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 3

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2016  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2156, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WILDLIFE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow the Department of Land and Natural Resources to become a member of the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact, a multistate agreement that promotes enforcement of hunting, fishing, trapping and other wildlife related regulations across jurisdictions, or similar agreement.

The Humane Society of the United States-Hawaii, Humane Society International; Hawaii Goes Fishing; and several individuals supported this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources; Fishing Tales with Mike Sakamoto; Hawaii Fishermen's Alliance for Conservation and Tradition, Inc.; Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen; and one individual provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by requiring the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Division of Aquatic Resources to conduct a comprehensive statewide science based assessment of its ocean resources. Technical nonsubstantive amendments were also made for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2156, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2156, S.D. 1, H.D. 3.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Finance,

  
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SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



