

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 16, 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2451
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 2451, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHAPTER 183, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Change the general administrative penalties for timber trespass in forest reserves to a fine of not more than the current market value of the Koa tree or other tree or plant destroyed or harvested;
- (2) Clarify that a person who violates the provisions of or rules related to the State's forest reserve laws is subject to imprisonment and escalating minimum fines and also clarify that a trespass in forest reserve violation is punishable as a misdemeanor; and
- (3) Repeal the general penalty provisions related to the State's laws governing forest reserves, water development, and zoning; Hawaiian fishponds; conservation districts; wildlife; state parks and recreation areas; and land fire protection law.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources provided testimony in support of the measure.

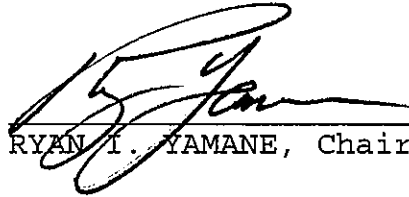
SB2451 HD1 HSCR WAL HMS 2016-2679



Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

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 S.B. No. 2451, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2451, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



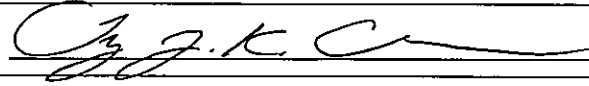
RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



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HSCR 1041-16

Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2451, SD 2	Committee Referral: WAL, JUD, FIN	Date: 3-14-2016		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	✓			
2. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)	✓			
3. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
4. ING, Kaniela				✓
5. LEE, Chris	✓			
6. LOWEN, Nicole E.				✓
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
8. SAY, Calvin K.Y.				✓
9. POUHA, Feki	✓			
10. THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL (10)	7	0	0	3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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