

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 7, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 390
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 390 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMAL CRUELTY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide greater protections to indigenous birds not listed as endangered or threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act of 1973 and Chapter 195D, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The Conservation Council for Hawaii, Hawaiian Humane Society, West Hawaii Humane Society, Humane Society of the United States, Animal Rights Hawaii, and numerous concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources supported the measure with amendments. Pele Lani Farm LLC opposed the measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 31, 2150, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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Should your Committee on Judiciary choose to hear this measure, your Committee respectfully requests that it consider whether the proposed definition of "indigenous bird" should also be expanded to include endangered or threatened species.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 390, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 390, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



RICHARD P. CREAGAN, Chair



