

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2741

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2018

RE: S.B. No. 641
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 641 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to add the Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission, or the Chairperson's designee, as an ex officio, voting member of the Commission on Water Resources Management.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Hoomanapono Political Action Committee, the OCC Legislative Priorities Committee of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Ka Lahui Hawaii Political Action Committee, and three concerned individuals.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee finds that adding the Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission to the Commission on Water Resources Management would ensure that the State's implementation of the State Water Code properly fulfills section 174C-101(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to Native Hawaiian water rights. Your



Committee believes that this measure will enable greater advocacy for the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands beneficiaries and greater consideration of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands water rights in the Commission on Water Resources Management's decision making.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 641, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 641, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB641	Committee Referral: HWN/WTL, WAM	Date: 2/23/18		
<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
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	X			
HARIMOTO, Breene	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				X
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
TOTAL	10			1
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