

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 05 2019

RE: H.B. No. 297  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 297, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOSQUITO VECTOR CONTROL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to protect Hawaii residents from mosquito-borne illnesses such as Zika and Dengue viruses.

Specifically, this measure requires the:

- (1) Department of Agriculture to review the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito with *Wolbachia* bacteria, including *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes originating from Hawaii stock that could be imported for landscape-scale mosquito control, and render a determination to place it on the appropriate animal import list; and
- (2) Departments of Agriculture, Health, and Land and Natural Resources to collaborate on a report to the Legislature with recommendations for appropriate vector control programs.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources,

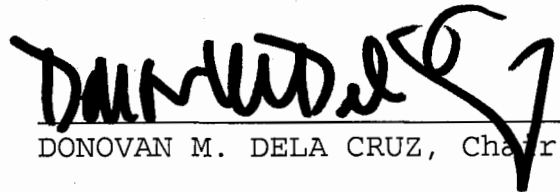


Department of Agriculture, Department of Health, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that studies have concluded that the release of *Wolbachia*-carrying *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes and subsequent interbreeding with wild mosquitoes can reduce the ability of cumulative mosquito populations to serve as disease vectors.

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 H.B. No. 297, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

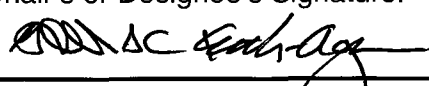
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Ways and Means**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
HB 297, HD 1, SD 1	AEN/CPH, WAM	4/5/19
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input 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
HARIMOTO, Breene	X	
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		X
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	X	
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X	
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X	
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X	
RIVIERE, Gil	X	
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X	
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X	
FEVELLA, Kurt	X	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>
Recommendation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
		
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