

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2274

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 15 , 2019

RE: S.C.R. No. 145

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 145 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE IN THE COUNTY OF HAWAII TO PRIORITIZE THE CONTROL OF HIGH-THREAT INVASIVE SPECIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to address threats to the environment, health and lifestyle, and economy of the Island of Hawaii by encouraging the Department of Land and Natural Resources Division of Forestry and Wildlife in the County of Hawaii to prioritize the control of high-threat invasive species, like miconia, and prevent species from negatively impacting the environment and economy.

The Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, a Councilmember of the Hawai'i County Council, Hawai'i Farm Bureau, and a concerned individual supported this measure. The Aloha Animal Advocates, For Forgotten Felines, and a few concerned individuals opposed this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources submitted comments on this measure.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Encouraging the Department of Land and Natural Resources Division of Forestry and Wildlife to prioritize the control of high-threat invasive species for the farming sector and conservation sector of each county; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for consistency, clarity, and style.

Your Committee encourages the Department of Land and Natural Resources to determine whether any other jurisdiction has found any beneficial use for miconia that could be utilized in Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 145, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 145, H.D. 1.

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

  
RICHARD P. CREAGAN, Chair



