

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 2019

RE: S.R. No. 165

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred S.R. No. 165 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES TO CONSULT WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO HAVE DIRECT TRADITIONAL, CULTURAL, AND FAMILIAL TIES TO THE DISTRICT OF PUNA TO ESTABLISH APPROPRIATE NAMES FOR THE FISSURE 8 VENT AND OTHER FEATURES OF THE 2018 ERUPTION OF KILAUEA VOLCANO,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the State Board on Geographic Names (Board) to consult with community members who have direct traditional, cultural, and familial ties to the district of Puna to establish appropriate names for the fissure 8 vent and other features of the 2018 eruption of Kilauea Volcano.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Planning and Aha Moku Advisory Committee.

Your Committee finds that the term "Fissure 8" is an inaccurate name for the large tephra cone located on the East Rift Zone within Leilani Estates and that the naming of a volcanic feature in the Hawaiian language may encode information about its physical characteristics, history of its formation, ecological surroundings, geographic location, or related oral histories. Your Committee notes that the Board has established a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to engage in dialogue with and collect



feedback from the Puna community regarding the naming of the fissure 8 vent. The PIG is tasked with setting a submission deadline for any new name proposals for the fissure 8 vent, review the proposed names for all features associated with the 2018 Kilauea eruption event, and report back to the full Board with its recommendations no later than December 31, 2019.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 165 and recommends its adoption.

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

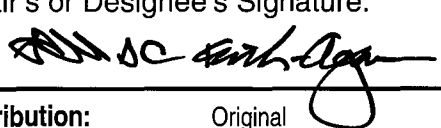


KAIULANI KAHOOA Chair



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Bill / Resolution No.:* SR1105	Committee Referral: WTL	Date: 3/27/2019		
<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
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				X
RIVIERE, Gil				X
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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