

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 200
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 200, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit trolleys, pulleys, cables, or running lines designed to attach a dog to two stationary objects that endanger, or deny sustenance to, a dog.

The Hawaiian Humane Society, Aloha Animal Advocates, Windward Dog Park Hui, Animal Rights Hawai'i, Animal Interfaith Alliance, Pacific Pet Alliance, West Hawaii Humane Society, and many individuals testified in support of this measure. An individual testified in opposition to this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting a preamble to clarify that the measure does not prohibit tethering completely and that it is still legal for individuals to humanely tether a dog;
- (2) Providing an affirmative defense for an individual who uses a trolley or tether on a dog under the age of six months without supervision if the trolley or tether is used for a limited time and the dog:



- (A) Is provided shade and necessary sustenance; or
- (B) Is not otherwise in distress; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 200, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 200, H.D. 2.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



