

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1330

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 , 2021

RE: S.B. No. 1387
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.B. No. 1387, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MICROCHIP IDENTIFICATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require dog and cat owners to microchip their pets.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Poi Dogs & Popoki, American Bird Conservancy, Hawaii Association of Animal Welfare Agencies, and three individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from three individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Department of Agriculture.

Your Committee finds that microchips are the safest, most accessible, and most affordable identification tool for pet owners. Microchipping pets can also bypass the need for animal control, save taxpayer money by eliminating the cost of intake and boarding of lost pets, and avoid additional stress on an owner and the pet during the period of separation.

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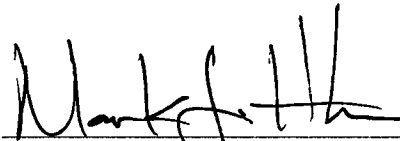


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Excluding from this measure animals that are being cared for as part of a designated population management program;
- (2) Excluding the Animal Quarantine Branch of the Department of Agriculture from the definition of "owner"; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1387, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1387, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



MARK J. HASHEM, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 1387, SDI	Committee Referral: AGR, CRC	Date: 3/19 ^{cap} /21		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. HASHEM, Mark J. (C)	✓			
2. PERRUSO, Amy A. (VC)	✓			
3. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
4. MARTEN, Lisa	✓			
5. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.	✓			
6. TODD, Chris				✓
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
8. MATSUMOTO, Lauren	✓			
TOTAL (8)	7			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Amy Perruso</u>				
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