

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 2196
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 2196 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STREAM MAINTENANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a two-year Stream Maintenance Reimbursement Pilot Program under the Department of land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Budget and Finance, and Department of Public Works of the County of Maui.

Your Committee finds that a common concern of homeowners and other landowners is the accumulation of debris in streams, which can lead to flooding. This problem is compounded by illegal dumping and trash that clog and pollute Hawaii's streams. Your Committee further finds that effective stream management and maintenance are essential to keep waterways clear and prevent flooding.

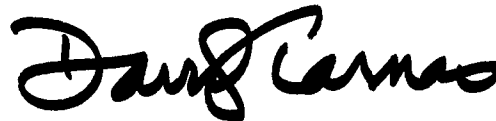
Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) 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 Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2196, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2196, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



