

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1636-22

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 31 , 2022

RE: H.C.R. No. 99

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 99 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL TO REVIEW ITS ORDINANCE ON CHICKENS, INVESTIGATE THE ORDINANCE'S ROLE IN CONTRIBUTING TO THE GROWING POPULATION OF FERAL CHICKENS, AND TAKE ACTION TO REDUCE THE GROWING PROBLEM OF FERAL CHICKENS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Honolulu City Council to review its ordinance on chickens, investigate the ordinance's role in contributing to the growing population of feral chickens, and take action to reduce the growing problem of feral chickens in the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that the growing population of feral chickens in the City and County of Honolulu has led to increased nuisance complaints of feral chickens foraging in residential areas, crowing at inconvenient hours, and posing health and safety concerns with their unsanitary droppings and obstruction of traffic. Your Committee notes that section 7-2.5, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, permits each household within the City and County of Honolulu to possess up to two chickens or peafowl and

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finds that the allowance of up to two chickens per household under the ordinance may have a role in the proliferation of feral chickens on Oahu. This measure urges the City and County of Honolulu to review its existing ordinance on chickens and take action to reduce this community problem.

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 H.C.R. No. 99 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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



MARK J. MASSEM, Chair



