

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 826

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 05 2021

RE: S.B. No. 1173
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1173, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OCEAN STEWARDSHIP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to facilitate stewardship of the State's ocean resources.

Specifically, the measure:

- (1) Establishes the ocean stewardship special fund for the conservation, restoration, and enhancement of the State's marine resources; and
- (2) Authorizes the Department of Land and Natural Resources to adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to establish non-resident user fees for the use and enjoyment of the State's ocean resources, to be deposited into the ocean stewardship special fund.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Kuaaina Ulu Auamo, Hawaii Reef and Ocean Coalition, Hui o Hoohonua, The Nature Conservancy, Kauhako Ohana Association, and one individual.



Your Committee received written comments in opposition of this measure from the Ocean Tourism Coalition.

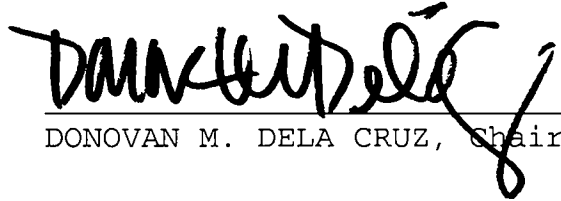
Your Committee finds that this measure will facilitate a sustainable source of funding to assist the Department of Land and Natural Resources in advancing the management, research, restoration, and enhancement of the State's marine resources.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1173, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1173, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-First Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 1173, SD 1	WTL, WAM	2/26/21
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X	
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X	
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X	
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X	
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X	
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.		
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.		X X
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X	
WAKAI, Glenn	X	
FEVELLA, Kurt	X	
TOTAL	9	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
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