

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1704-22

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 , 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2659
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Water & Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 2659, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for equipment, training, and the establishment of twenty full-time equivalent positions for the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo, Mālama Pūpūkea-Waimea, and two individuals. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committees find that the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement of the Department of Land and Natural Resources has a broad mandate that includes wildlife protection, resource conservation, boating and fishing enforcement, and maritime patrols. To ensure that the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement is able to fulfill all aspects of its

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mandate in the State, this measure provides additional resources for the Division to protect, conserve, and manage Hawaii's unique natural, cultural, and historic resources.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

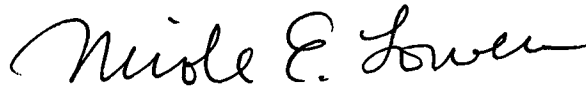
- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2100, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Water & Land that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2659, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2659, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy &
Environmental Protection and
Water & Land,



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