

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 28 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2767  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 1  
C.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2022  
State of Hawaii

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

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2767, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AGGREGATION DEVICES,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the deployment, replacement, and maintenance of fish aggregation devices.

Your Committee on Conference finds that the State's system of fish aggregation devices, or FADs, maintained by the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology provides enhanced fishing opportunities for island fishers. Maintenance of the FAD program is labor-intensive as the devices are prone to breaking off and frequently need to be replaced or recovered and re-deployed, resulting in less fish for personal or community consumption and increased operational costs. Sufficient and timely upkeep and replacement of FADs may



minimize the length of time off-station and the resulting lost fishing opportunities.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by inserting an appropriation of \$350,000 to support the Fish Aggregation Device Program.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2767, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2767, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf  
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE



DAVID A. TARNAS  
Co-Chair



LORRAINE R. INOUE  
Chair



PATRICK PINANA BRANCO  
Co-Chair



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI  
Co-Chair



Record of Votes of a  
Conference Committee

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

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Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
INOUE, Lorraine R., Chr.	✓				TARNAS, David A., Co-Chr.	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T., Co-Chr.	✓				BRANCO, Patrick Pihana, Co-Chr.	✓			
MISALUCHA, Bennette E.	✓				MCDERMOTT, Bob				✓
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓								
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

A = Aye                      WR = Aye with Reservations                      N = Nay                      E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 
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