

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3177

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2022

RE: S.B. No. 3330
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 3330, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUPUKEA MARINE LIFE CONSERVATION DISTRICT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to assess the carrying capacity of the Pupukea Marine Life Conservation District and develop recommendations on the conservation district's level of use.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to conduct a pilot program addressing the Pupukea Marine Life Conservation District to:
 - (A) Assess the carrying capacity of the conservation district;
 - (B) Monitor, document, and assess the effectiveness of restrictions on the conservation district; and
 - (C) Propose long-term management options for the conservation district;



- (2) Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to:
 - (A) Consult with various entities in conducting the pilot program; and
 - (B) Submit a report to the Legislature of its findings and recommendations; and
- (3) Appropriates funds for the pilot program.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Friends of Hanauma Bay, Malama Pupukea-Waimea, Center for Biological Diversity, Kua'aina Ulu 'Auamo, Surfrider Foundation Hawaii Region, and seven individuals.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that thousands of people visit the Pupukea Marine Life Conservation District nearly every day, subjecting the area to constant trampling and disturbance. Your Committee further finds that a study to determine the carrying capacity of the Pupukea Marine Life Conservation District will help to ensure that the conservation district is preserved for future generations.

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. 3330, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



