

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1211

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 21 2023

RE: H.B. No. 1134
H.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1134, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO KANEOHE BAY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Prohibit commercial ocean use activity in Kaneohe Bay without a permit; and
- (2) Prohibit any person from advertising any commercial ocean use activity in Kaneohe Bay for which the person does not have a permit.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Aha Moku, Kāneʻohe Bay Regional Council, Koʻolau Foundation, Koʻolaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club, and five individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee finds that the over-commercialization of Kaneohe Bay has been unnaturally encouraged by social media and through unpermitted tour operators who advertise and operate without regard for rules, regulations, and cultural awareness. Your Committee finds that action is necessary to ensure that Kaneohe Bay's rich cultural history and scenic natural environment



are preserved and protected for the use and enjoyment of all. Therefore, this measure updates the law regarding restricted activities in Kaneohe Bay.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1134, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committees on Commerce and Consumer Protection and Ways and Means.


Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water and Land,


LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB2 1134, HD2	WTL, CPN/WAM	3/15/23		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	5	ϕ	ϕ	ϕ
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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