

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1773

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2023

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RE: H.R. No. 136

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2023  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.R. No. 136 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY MAINTENANCE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO CLEAN CERTAIN STREAMS AND CANALS IN WAIPAHU,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Facility Maintenance of the City and County of Honolulu to clean certain streams and canals in Waipahu, namely:

- (1) Waikele Stream;
- (2) The canal adjacent to Bill Balfour Jr. Waipahu District Park that intersects Paiwa Street; and
- (3) The canal along Honowai Park and Honowai Elementary.

Your Committee did not receive any written testimony on this measure.

Your Committee finds that the lack of stream and canal maintenance often leads to clogged, overgrown, or debris-filled streams and canals that function poorly and can result in local flooding and other safety hazards. Your Committee further finds that the Waikele Stream and the canals listed above suffer from



these issues, which increase siltation and impair water flow. Your Committee also finds that the assistance of the Department of Facility Management in cleaning the Waikele Stream and identified canals is critical to their proper functioning.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 136 and recommends its adoption.

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

**FOR**

  
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LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair



