

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1448

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 2023

RE: S.R. No. 106

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Water and Land and Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.R. No. 106 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO MINIMIZE HUMAN INTERACTION AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS DURING CORAL SPAWNING EVENTS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the Department of Land and Natural Resources to minimize human interaction at certain locations during coral spawning events.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and two individuals.

Your Committees find that human interference shortly after once-a-year coral spawning events -- such as swimming, snorkeling, and scuba diving -- can imperil coral colonies by preventing coral larvae from safely settling into reefs. Your Committees find that efforts in Kahuluu Bay and Waiakea Bay State Park to minimize human interference for several days after a spawning event have successfully increased the amount of juvenile corals in these areas. Therefore, this measure requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources to expand on this success and take certain actions to support healthier coral reefs.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water and Land and Agriculture and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 106 and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Water and Land and Agriculture and Environment,



MIKE GABBARD, Chair




LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



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<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
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.				✓
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	X			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim" (VC)	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
RHOADS, Karl	X			
AWA, Brenton	X			
TOTAL	5			

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:


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