

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3872**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**APR 18 2024**

RE: H.C.R. No. 171  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Government Operations and Judiciary, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 171 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING STATE AND COUNTY AGENCIES TO NOTIFY ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS OF DECEASED CATS AND DOGS THAT ARE PICKED UP ALONG STATE AND COUNTY ROADWAYS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request state and county agencies responsible for removing deceased dogs and cats from public roadways to:

- (1) Check for, scan, and record the microchip of the deceased dog or cat, along with the location found, descriptive information about the pet, and any contact phone number, name, or address shown on the animal's tag or collar;
- (2) Timely notify county animal services or animal service contractors of the deceased dog or cat, including the microchip number, if any, location found, descriptive information about the pet, and any contact phone number, name or address shown on the pet's tag or collar; and



- (3) Allow county animal services or animal service contractors to use their staff or volunteers to follow up with the registered pet owners.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from Animal Rights Hawai'i, Hawaiian Humane Society, and one individual.

Your Committees find that the state and county agencies responsible for removing deceased dogs and cats from public roadways do not take routine steps to ascertain the animals' owners, if any. Your Committees note that microchipping is one of the safest, most accessible, and most affordable identification tools for pet owners and since January 1, 2022, dog and cat owners in the State are required by law to microchip their pets. This measure will help provide closure for owners who have lost and continue to search for their dog or cat.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending its title to reflect its contents; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Government Operations and Judiciary that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 171, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 171, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Government  
Operations and Judiciary,



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KARL RHOADS, Chair




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ANGUS L.R. MCKELVEY, 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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
AWA, Brenton				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	4	—	—	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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RHOADS, Karl (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
AWA, Brenton				✓
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