

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

595

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 13 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 511  
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 511 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide that a survey of the land that is to be set aside shall not be a condition precedent to the setting aside of public lands to any department or agency of the State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; Boteilho Hawaii Enterprises Inc.; SC Ranch Co. Inc.; TiLeaf Group; and one individual.

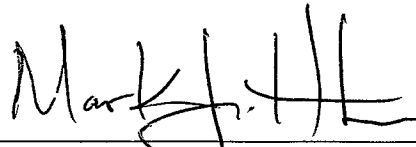
Your Committee finds that requiring land surveys before setting aside public lands between state departments causes unnecessary delays and administrative burdens, hinders efficient land use, and increases costs. This measure eliminates the survey requirement as a condition precedent, streamlining the process to expedite land transfers, such as pending transfers pursuant to Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, and helps conserve government resources.



Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 511, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 511, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark J. Hashem". The signature is stylized with a large "M" and "H".

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MARK J. HASHEM, Chair



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Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 511</b>		Committee Referral: <b>WAL, JHA</b>		Date: <b>2-11-2025</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
WAL Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. HASHEM, Mark J. (C)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
2. LAMOSAO, Rachele F. (VC)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3. BELATTI, Della Au		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
5. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
6. MORIKAWA, Dee		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
7. POEPOE, Mahina		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
8. WOODSON, Justin H.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
9. SHIMIZU, Garner M.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
10. SOUZA, Kanani		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
TOTAL (10)		<b>W</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>O</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted         If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center;">committee acronym(s)</div>					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____					
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