

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1693

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28 , 2025

RE: H.C.R. No. 191
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.C.R.
No. 191 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONVENE A KAILUA BAY ADVISORY
WORKING GROUP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of
Land and Natural Resources to convene a Kailua Bay Advisory
Working Group.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Office of the Mayor of the County of Hawai'i; one member
of the Hawai'i County Council; Kailua Village Business Improvement
District; Destination Kona Coast; Kai 'Opua Canoe Club; and three
individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure
from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee finds that the Kailua-Kona Wharf, commonly
referred to as the Kailua Pier, provides significant economic,
cultural, and historical benefits to West Hawai'i. Your Committee
further finds that persistent vandalism and destruction of public
facilities and infrastructure have led to rising maintenance
costs, disruptions of public access, and the need for continuous
repairs of Kailua Pier by state and county agencies. Your

2025-2943 HCR191 HD1 HSCR HMSO-1



Committee believes that establishing an interjurisdictional approach to address the challenges at Kailua Pier will enhance communication between pier users and government officials, allowing for more effective coordinated oversight and management of Kailua Pier.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the representative of the Statewide Office on Homelessness and Housing Solutions requested to serve on the working group is the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, or the Coordinator's designee;
- (2) Requesting the working group to submit quarterly reports for two years, rather than three; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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.C.R. No. 191, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 191, H.D. 1.

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


MARK J. HASHEM Chair



HSR 1693

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 191	Committee Referral: WAL, FIN	Date: 3/25/2025		
<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)	✓			
2. LAMOSAO, Rachele F. (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
5. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco	✓			
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
7. POEPOE, Mahina	✓			
8. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
9. SHIMIZU, Garner M.	✓			
10. SOUZA, Kanani	✓			
TOTAL (10)	10	0	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
Distribution: Original (White) – Committee Duplicate (Yellow) – Chief Clerk's Office Duplicate (Pink) – HMSO				