

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1597

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2025

**MAR 27**

RE: H.R. No. 163  
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 Public Safety, to which was referred H.R.  
No. 163 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE HAWAII STATE FIRE CODE  
CLEARLY DEFINE STAGES OF WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION AND RELATED  
EFFORTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request that the Hawaii  
state fire code clearly define states of wildfire suppression and  
related efforts.

Hawaiian Electric and five individuals provided testimony in  
support of this resolution.

Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that  
this resolution is requesting the Office of the State Fire Marshal  
and the State Fire Council to work together to clearly define  
stages of wildfire suppression and related efforts.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your  
Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your  
Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 163, as  
amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your  
Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs in the form attached  
hereto as H.R. No. 163, H.D. 1.

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Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety,

  
DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Thirty-third Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HR 163	<b>Committee Referral:</b> PBS, JMA	<b>Date:</b> 3/21/2025		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <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)				
PBS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco (VC)	✓			
3. HASHEM, Mark J.				✓
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
5. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.				✓
6. MORIKAWA, Dee				✓
7. POEPOE, Mahina	✓			
8. WOODSON, Justin H.				✓
9. SHIMIZU, Garner M.	✓			
10. SOUZA, Kanani	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	6	0	0	4
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> <u>Della A Belatti</u>				
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