

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 141
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.B. No. 141 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish the eighth day of August of each year as "Hawaii Disaster Drill Day"; and
- (2) Require the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, in coordination with all state departments and agencies, to conduct drills and perform other activities for that day.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency and two individuals.

Your Committees find that the State faces a variety of natural hazards, including hurricanes, tsunamis, wildfires, and volcanic eruptions. It is imperative that state agencies and local communities continually enhance the ability to respond to these disasters, both individually and collectively. This measure will help to ensure that residents are well-prepared for any emergency by establishing Hawaii Disaster Drill Day. Conducting



annual drills on this designated day will foster a culture of preparedness, educate the public on critical safety measures, and enhance the coordination between state, county, federal, and private entities.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Making it effective on July 1, 2025; 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 Public Safety and Military Affairs and Transportation and Culture and the Arts that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 141, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 141, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Public Safety and
Military Affairs and
Transportation and Culture and
the Arts,



CHRIS LEE, Chair




BRANDON J.C. ELEFANTE, Chair



The Senate
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Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 141	PSM/TCA, WAM	2-10-2015		
<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
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
TOTAL	5			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes