STAND. COM. REP. NO. (088)

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 345 H.D. 2

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

## Madame:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 345, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE SHRIMP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish ' $\bar{\text{o}}$ pae 'ula as the state shrimp.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo; Hawai'i Wildlife Fund; Hawai'i Ocean Legislative Task Force; and five individuals.

Your Committee finds that anchialine pools, or wai 'ōpae, are ecologically and culturally significant ecosystems unique to Hawaii that serve as critical habitats for native species, including the endemic 'ōpae 'ula shrimp. Designating 'ōpae 'ula as the state shrimp will raise awareness about the importance of anchialine pool conservation and the threats posed by invasive species, coastal development, and pollution.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical amendment for the purpose of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 345, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 345, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs,

DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair

## State of Hawaii



## Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 345 HD I	CAA, JHA	Date: 02	121/2025	,
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)				
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2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)				
3. BELATTI, Della Au		. 70		
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4. COCHRAN, Elle				<b>/</b>
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
5. IIAGIILM, Mark J.				
6. KAHALOA, Kirstin				
7. PERRUSO, Amy A.				
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
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9. TODD, Chris				<b>V</b>
10. CARCIA Diamond				
10. GARCIA, Diamond				
11. SHIMIZU, Garner M.				
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TOTAL (11)	9	0	$\mathcal{D}$	2
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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