

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2014

RE: S.B. No. 3063
S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 3063, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISPOSITION OF LANDS IN WAIPIO VALLEY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Department of Land and Natural Resources to establish a temporary working group to develop an action plan to preserve natural, cultural, and historic resources in Waipio Valley and identify conservation options for the protection of these resources.

The measure also makes an appropriation for the Department of Land and Natural Resources to purchase land located in Waipio Valley.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee finds that Waipio Valley possesses cultural, historic, and natural resources that are integral to the identity of the State. Your Committee also finds that active management of these resources is necessary to protect them against overuse, invasive species, and other threats to their continued existence. Your Committee believes that the action plan and conservation options developed and identified pursuant to this measure will help enhance public access to and permanent protection of the resources in Waipio Valley.

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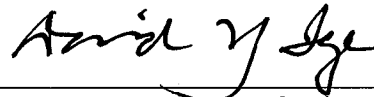


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the Executive Director of the Agribusiness Development Corporation and the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum shall be members of the working group;
- (2) Clarifying that the chairperson of the working group may add members to the working group;
- (3) Clarifying that the working group's identification of conservation options include the purchase of land in Waipio Valley;
- (4) Changing the effective date from July 1, 2014, to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (5) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3063, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3063, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



