

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 16 , 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2077
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 2077, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WILDLIFE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to enter into the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact or a similar agreement for mutual assistance in the enforcement of wildlife laws.

DLNR, Keiko Conservation, Animal Rights Hawai'i, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, West Hawaii Humane Society, For the Fishes, and several individuals testified in support of this measure. The Humane Society of the United States, Hawaiian Humane Society, and several individuals provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Requiring DLNR to:

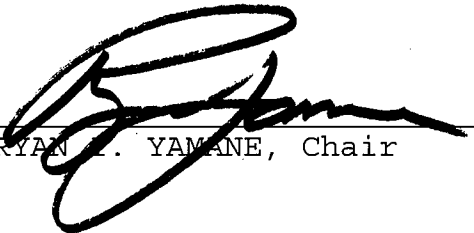
- (A) Enter into the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact or similar agreement within one year of the effective date of this measure; and



- (B) Pay all legal fees associated with defending and indemnifying DLNR employees acting within the course and scope of employment in administering or enforcing the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact or similar agreement;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2060, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for 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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2077, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2077, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



RYAN E. YAMANE, Chair



