

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

86

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 09, 2021

RE: H.B. No. 1020  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1020 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADAPTIVE NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the Board of Land and Natural Resources to temporarily adopt, amend, and repeal certain natural resource rules by formal action at a publicly noticed meeting if the Board of Land and Natural Resources finds that such adoption, amendment, or repeal is necessary to effect adaptive natural resource management.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that this measure provides the Department of Land and Natural Resources with an additional tool to quickly implement certain temporary adaptive management measures in response to rapidly changing resource conditions.

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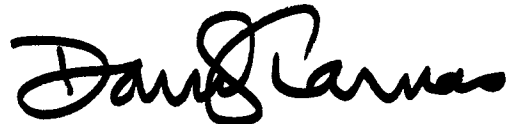


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Retaining statutory language that gives the Department of Land and Natural Resources the ability to:
  - (A) Adopt, amend, and repeal wildlife rules concerning size limits, bag limits, open and closed seasons, and specifications of hunting gear which may be used or possessed; and
  - (B) Adopt, amend, and repeal aquatic-resources rules that include size limits, bag limits, open and closed fishing seasons, specifications and numbers of fishing or taking gear which may be used or possessed, and prescribing and limiting the kind and amount of bait that may be used in taking aquatic life;
- (2) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2050; and
- (3) 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 Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1020, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1020, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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



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DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



