

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1767

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 16 2021

RE: H.C.R. No. 69
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Agriculture and Environment and Water and Land, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 69, H.D. 1, entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO SUBMIT A PETITION TO LIST THE PUEO AS A THREATENED OR ENDANGERED SPECIES UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Department of Land and Natural Resources to submit a petition to list the pueo as a threatened or endangered species under the Endangered Species Act.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, Kawaihapai Ohana, Hawaii's Thousand Friends, and three individuals.

Your Committees find that the pueo is a species endemic to Hawaii and an aumakua of Hawaiian families. Under the federal definitions, a species is listed as either an endangered or threatened species depending on its status and the degree of threat it faces. The Department of Land and Natural Resources has listed the population of pueo on Oahu as endangered with extensive

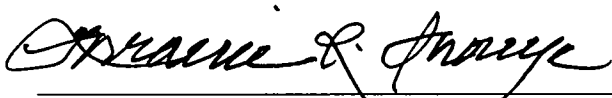


loss of habitat due to wide-ranging cattle pasturage, conversion of large tracts of undeveloped land to residential and commercial uses, the introduction of mammalian predators, and the trampling of nests by cattle. Due to its wide range and cryptic nature, no comprehensive population estimates have been conducted and relatively little information is available about the biology, habitat needs, limiting factors, or distribution of the pueo. Therefore, a listing petition would prioritize research and inventory on understanding population trends, distribution, genetics, and threat assessment in support of a federal listing determination.

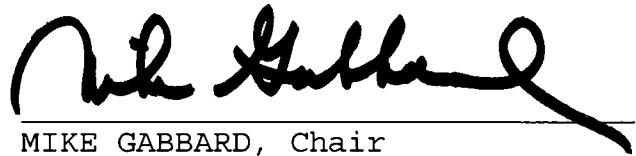
Your Committees have amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Agriculture and Environment and Water and Land that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 69, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 69, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Agriculture and
Environment and Water and Land,



LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair

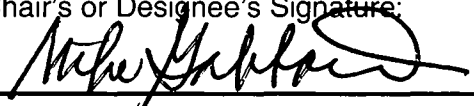


MIKE GABBARD, Chair



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<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
GABBARD, Mike (C)	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	✓			
ACASIO, Laura	✓			
RHOADS, Karl	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	5			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312 Pass, with amendments 2311 Hold 2310 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	✓			
MISALUCHA, Bennette E.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	5			

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:
Bennette E. Misalucha

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