

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 , 2021

RE: S.C.R. No. 18

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 S.C.R. No. 18 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIOHULI-KEOKEA HOMESTEADS AND BEACH LOTS, KIHAI, MAUI, FOR THE EXISTING SEAWALL AND ROCK REVETMENT, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the issuance of a fifty-five-year, non-exclusive easement covering a portion of state submerged lands fronting Tax Map Key number (2) 3-9-010:006 at Waiohuli-Keokea Homesteads and Beach Lots, Kihei, Maui, for the existing seawall and rock revetment, and for the use, repair, and maintenance of those improvements.

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

Your Committee finds that removal of the subject seawall would not result in a substantial improvement to beach resources fronting the property because the narrow beach that fronts the seawall is submerged during all but the lowest tides; would not improve public access because the adjacent properties are fronted by similar seawalls and the narrow beach; and may destabilize

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seawalls and lawns at adjacent properties. In addition, the seawall serves as the primary erosion control for potentially threatened upland structures. Your Committee further finds that this measure is necessary to provide legislative authorization for the Board of Land and Natural Resources to lease the subject submerged lands.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 18 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



