

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

746

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 2017

RE: S.B. No. 558
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 558 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to establish invasive species technician positions in east Maui for the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Division of Forestry and Wildlife.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Cattlemens Council, Conservation Council for Hawaii, Hawaii Farm Bureau, and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that the invasion of non-native insects, disease bearing organisms, weeds, and other pests is a major threat to Hawaii's economy, natural environment, and health. Your Committee further finds that preventing the arrival of new pests and halting the spread of established pests are essential to the State's present and future well-being.


Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Changing the amounts appropriated in fiscal years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 from \$500,000 respectively for each year to unspecified sums;
- (2) Changing the number of permanent full-time equivalent invasive species technician positions from five to an unspecified number; and
- (3) Changing the effective date to March 9, 2092, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

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. 558, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 558, S.D. 1.

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




JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 558	AEN/WTL, WAM	3/1/17		
<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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	✓			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				✓
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
TOTAL	9			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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