

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1821

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 06 2023

RE: H.B. No. 819
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 819, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIMU KALA,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to designate limu kala (*Sargassum echinocarpum*) as the official Hawaii state limu.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo, Mālama Pūpūkea-Waimea, Mālama Limu Club of Kamehameha Schools, and five individuals.

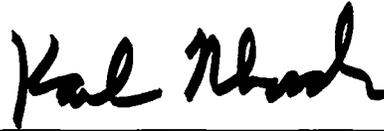
Your Committee finds that limu has a unique ecological and cultural value to the people of Hawai'i and that four species of limu are endemic to the waters of the State, including limu kala. Your Committee further finds that limu kala has a significant role in Native Hawaiian history and culture, as it is used as traditional bait for reef fish, used to treat minor cuts and scratches, and used in the conflict resolution process of ho'oponopono. This measure recognizes the critical role of this critical species of limu in Hawai'i's ecosystem and seeks to increase awareness and knowledge of limu kala amid the current decline of desirable limu species throughout the State.



Your Committee has amended this measure by making it effective upon its approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 819, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 819, H.D. 2, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,

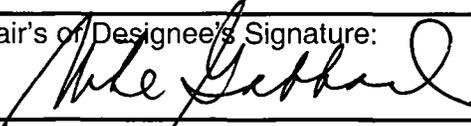


KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 819 HD2	Committee Referral: TCA, JDC	Date: 3/30/23		
<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
RHOADS, Karl (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	5	—	—	—
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes