

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16, 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1919  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1919 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE BOATING FACILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Temporarily repeal provisions related to the leasing of fast lands and submerged lands of the Ala Wai Boat Harbor; and
- (2) Establish a State Boating Facility Lease Pilot Program within the Department of Land and Natural Resources to lease one state small boat harbor for private development, management, maintenance, and operation in a county with a population of less than nine hundred thousand.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Lahaina Divers Inc.; and six individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the United Public Workers, AFSCME Local 646, AFL-CIO; Kama'aina Boaters; Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; Albatross News; UNITE HERE Local 5; Pacific Marlin Club; North Shore Sportfishing; Surfrider



Foundation, Oahu Chapter; Free Access Coalition; and six individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance; Activities & Attractions Association of Hawaii, Inc.; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the State's boat harbors are an important component of the State's overall infrastructure. This measure would provide the Department of Land and Natural Resources with the flexibility and capability to adapt business operations in a timely manner based on rapidly changing market conditions.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the 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. 1919, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1919, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

  
LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair



