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RE: H.B. No. 2143
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. 2143 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BEACH PARK RESTORATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide matching grant funds to the County of Hawaii to hire an engineering firm to study, plan, and assist in phase one of the Kahaluu Beach Park restoration project.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Department of Land and Natural Resources; Hawai'i County Department of Parks and Recreation; one member of the Hawai'i County Council; The Kohala Center; Friends of Hanauma Bay; Dear Ocean; and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that the restoration of Kahaluu Beach Park can serve as a model for state-county partnerships to restore other public natural resources throughout Hawaii.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its 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. 2143, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2143, 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



