

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2350**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 2024

RE: S.B. No. 3218

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.B. No. 3218 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the issuance of special number plates to commemorate Malama Puuloa.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Hui O Ho'ohonua.

Your Committee finds that while Keawalau o Puuloa, also known as Puuloa or Pearl Harbor, was once an abundant water resource, it has been exposed and contaminated with toxic chemicals and materials that have harmed the local ecosystems. Your Committee further finds that Malama Puuloa, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization established in 2015 with a mission to restore Puuloa to abundance, has shown dedication to community environmentalism through their work including education, partnerships with the community, land-based programs, and involving over ten thousand volunteers committed to their work. This measure will promote the organization's legacy of natural resource management, perpetuation of Native Hawaiian culture, and environmentalism by authorizing a special number plate to recognize the significance and impact of Malama Puuloa.

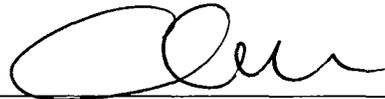


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding language to limit the special number plate design to four and a half inches in height by four and a half inches in width;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3218, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3218, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation and
Culture and the Arts,

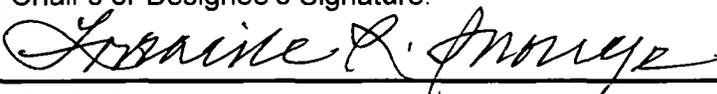


CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 3218	Committee Referral: TCA, WAM	Date: 2-6-2024		
<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
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
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