

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

428

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 13 2025**

RE: S.B. No. 1408  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred  
S.B. No. 1408 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION  
ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that  
Act 130, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, shall take effect on either  
the date of the Secretary of the Interior's notification letter to  
the Congressional Committee Chairpersons that Act 130 meets none  
of the criteria in title 43 Code of Federal Regulations  
section 48.20, or on the date that the United States Congress  
approval becomes law.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

Your Committee finds that section 4 of Act 130, Session Laws  
of Hawaii 2024, did not accurately note the necessary approval  
process for proper amendment to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act,  
1920, as amended. This measure will correct this error.

Your Committee has amended this measure by 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 Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1408, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1408, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

  
HERBERT RICHARDS, Chair



