

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3001
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 3001 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WILDLIFE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to prohibit the
interisland transportation of live game or wild mammals.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, the
Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species, the Nature Conservancy,
and one private individual.

Your Committee finds that the introduction of non-native
species to the State has a negative effect on Hawaii's environment
and indigenous species in a variety of ways, including the direct
predation on indigenous species; the spread of pathogens and
diseases; competition with native species for limited food
resources; the destruction of native vegetation and habitats; and
erosion. For example, Axis Deer are causing great damage to
native habitats and agricultural crops on Maui and are a danger to
vehicular traffic on roadways. While many introductions of non-
native species are accidental, others may be purposeful. This
measure provides a deterrent to the purposeful spread of animals
within the State and establishes penalties for the interisland
transportation of live game or wild mammals.

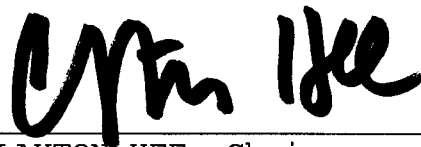
Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Adopting the amendments suggested by the Department of Land and Natural Resources that:
 - (A) Replace references to "live game mammals or wild mammals" with "wild or feral mammals" to more precisely and appropriately specify the animal's targeted by this measure;
 - (B) Clarify that the prohibition of interisland transportation of wild or feral mammals includes the intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly transferring, transporting, or releasing after transporting through interisland movement; and
 - (C) Define release as the freeing of an animal from effective confinement or restraint; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3001, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3001, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



Record of Votes
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes