STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii February 12, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 1330

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1330 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the Division of Conservation and Resource Enforcement, Department of Land and Natural Resources.

More specifically, this measure appropriates \$2,000,000 to restore funding cuts over the past four years.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by Lanai Hunters United, the Kailua Neighborhood Board, and thirty-five individuals. Written comments were submitted by the Department of Land and Natural Resources and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that, due to budget cuts the past several years, the Department of Land and Natural Resources has had to reduce or eliminate non-essential programs and services and limit work hours for officers and the number of officers on patrol. As a result, enforcement of laws necessary for the protection of the State's natural resources has suffered. Your Committee therefore finds that the restoration of the budget of the division of conservation and resource enforcement is imperative for the protection and sustainability of the State's natural environment.

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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. 1330 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

CINDY EVANS



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1330	Committee Referral: WAL, F/N			Date:	2 8/1	3
□ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.						
The recommendation is to: Image: Pass, unamended (as is) Image: Pass, with amendments (HD) Image: Hold Image: Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)						
WAL Members		Ayes	Ayes (W	R)	Nays	Excused
1. EVANS, Cindy (C)			-			
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)		\checkmark				<u>.</u>
3. COFFMAN, Denny						
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.		\checkmark				
5. HANOHANO, Faye P.						
6. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.		V				
7. LEE, Chris		V				
8. FALE, Richard Lee						
9. THIELEN, Cynthia		\checkmark				···
TOTAL (9)		9				
The recommendation is: Image: Adopted lif joint referral,						
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Muole Ehm						
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