STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1025

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 2 5 2015

RE: H.B. No. 527 H.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 527, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE LIFEGUARDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for lifeguards at Kua Bay, located in Kekaha Kai State Park on the Island of Hawaii, an area under the jurisdiction of the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and one individual.

Your Committee finds that lifeguards serve an essential function in a state surrounded by the ocean and possessing numerous freshwater attractions. Lifeguards rescue potential drowning victims, administer first aid, and teach water safety. Lifeguards allow the public to enjoy the natural beauty of our waters and contribute to Hawaii's reputation as a desirable place to live and visit. The Island of Hawaii does not currently have state-funded lifeguards at Kua Bay, located in Kekaha Kai State Park.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B.

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No. 527, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water and Land,

LAURA H. THIELEN, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawai'i

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
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