STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2343

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 1 8 2016 RE: S.B. No. 2129

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Water, Land, and Agriculture and Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2129 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Agriculture to provide assistance and funding to the National Wildlife Research Center of the United States Department of Agriculture to:

- (1) Complete the research assessment of the negative impacts of the rose-ringed parakeet on the island of Kauai initiated by the Center in 2011; and
- (2) Develop and implement an effective control plan to reduce the negative impacts of the rose-ringed parakeet on the island of Kauai.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Hawai'i Farm Bureau. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committees find that the rose-ringed parakeet, *Psittacula krameri*, native to Africa and India, is considered to be one of the most significant agricultural pests of important food crops. The National Wildlife Research Center of the United States Department of Agriculture estimated there were more than



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two thousand rose-ringed parakeets on Kauai as of 2011 and concluded that these birds are probably dispersing invasive plant species, including lilikoi and strawberry and yellow guava; possibly destroying native seeds, including koa; and potentially competing with native birds for fruits, seeds, and nesting sites. Additionally, the parakeets are damaging and reducing the yield of many crops, including lychee, longan, and rambutan. Your Committees find that there is a strong need for a more costeffective means to control the damage created by rose-ringed parakeets on Kauai that will benefit economically important crops, reduce the potential for damage to natural resources, and avoid any negative effects on the health and safety of Kauai residents and visitors.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water, Land, and Agriculture and Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2129 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Water, Land, and Agriculture and Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs,

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CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair

-MIKE GABBARD, Chair



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