

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2775**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2512
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2512, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to increase penalties and establish an additional fine for animal desertion.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Conservation Council for Hawaii, Hawaii Cat Foundation, Poi Dogs & Popoki, The Humane Society of the United States, and seven individuals.

Your Committee recognizes that every year, the abandonment of thousands of animals across Hawaii contributes to increased animal control costs, animal suffering, overpopulation, increased euthanasia rates at local animal shelters, and possible harm to native wildlife. Your Committee believes that this measure's stronger penalties will deter animal desertion, encourage pet owners to work with local shelters and animal control contractors when a pet must be re-homed, strengthen pet retention, encourage human-animal bonding, and protect pet owners and animals.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2512, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2512, SD1	Committee Referral: WLA/SDL, WAM	Date: 3/1/16		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene	/			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				/
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	10			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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