

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2081
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Water and Land and Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred H.B. No. 2081, H.D. 1, 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 Land and Natural Resources to provide assistance and supplemental funding for the National Wildlife Research Center of the United States Department of Agriculture to conduct pilot field studies to evaluate control tools and develop a management plan to reduce the rose-ringed parakeet population on Kauai.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Department of Agriculture; Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii; Maui County Farm Bureau; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Ag Matters, LLC; Hawaii Crop Improvement Association; Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; Beck's Superior Hybrids; and thirty-eight individuals. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committees find that there is an increase in reports of rose-ringed parakeet flocks on the island of Kauai. This species



poses a significant threat to the local economy, ecology, and human health and safety. On Kauai, the rose-ringed parakeet causes more crop damage than all other birds and mammals.

Your Committees further find that the National Wildlife Research Center began its work to examine the damaging impacts of the rose-ringed parakeet with funds appropriated under Act 31, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017. The appropriated funds are being used to support a review of existing damage mitigation tools, identify potential new tools for evaluation, develop stakeholder-specific guidelines for damage control to farmers, ranchers, tourism operators, and homeowners, and establish protocols for pilot studies to evaluate the most promising control tools. The funds appropriated by this measure will be used to complete the evaluation studies and carry out the second phase of the project, which is to conduct pilot field studies to evaluate control tools and develop a management plan to reduce populations of the rose-ringed parakeet on Kauai. This process will include tracking and mapping populations and field assessment of population reduction methods.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an appropriation amount of \$284,011 to provide assistance and supplemental funding for the National Wildlife Research Center to conduct pilot field studies to reduce the rose-ringed parakeet population on Kauai;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2018; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water and Land and Agriculture and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2081, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2081, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Water and Land
and Agriculture and
Environment,



MIKE GABBARD, Chair



KARL RHOADS, Chair



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☐ The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

☐ Pass, unamended 2312
 ☒ Pass, with amendments 2311
 ☐ Hold 2310
 ☐ Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)	/			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	/			
INOUE, Lorraine R.				/
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
THIELEN, Laura H.	/			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1

Recommendation: ☒ Adopted ☐ Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: 

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The Recommendation is:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310	<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay
Excused			
GABBARD, Mike (C)	X		
RIVIERE, Gil (VC)	X		
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.			X
RHOADS, Karl	X		
RUDERMAN, Russell E.			X
TOTAL	3	0	0
Recommendation:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted			
Chair's or Designee's Signature:			
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