STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1744-18

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 20 , 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2399

S.D. 2 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 2399, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Restructure the Hawaii Invasive Species Council into the Hawaii Invasive Species Authority, to be administratively attached to the Department of Agriculture, to coordinate implementation of the Hawaii Interagency Biosecurity Plan and address the control, eradication, and prevention of the introduction of invasive species; and
- (2) Appropriate funds for the Hawaii Invasive Species
 Authority and interagency projects and research related
 to invasive species.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Department of Transportation, Councilmember representing District 4 of Hawaii County, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Ka Ohana

O Na Pua, Hawaii Farmers Union United, Little Fire Ant HUI, Sierra Club of Hawaii, Hawaii Farmers Union United Kona Chapter, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc., Big Island Invasive Species Committee, Local Food Coalition, Hawaii Farm Bureau, The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii, Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species, Maui Chamber of Commerce, and many individuals supported this measure. An individual opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting language relating to the transfer of existing civil service or exempt positions of the Hawaii Invasive Species Council to the Hawaii Invasive Species Authority; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2399, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2399, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection,

CHRIS LEE, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Dates		1 0		
SB 2399, SD2	•			3-13-18		
☐ The committee is reconsidering its pre	evious decision on the measure.					
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EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused		
1. LEE, Chris (C)	/					
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)						
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.						
4. KONG, Sam Satoru						
5. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.						
7 TODD Chair						
6. TODD, Chris						
7. YAMANE, Ryan I.						
7. TAMANE, Kyani.						
8. MCDERMOTT, Bob						
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature:	Nivole E. S	tower	•	-		
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