STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii

## FEB 1 5 2019

RE: S.B. No. 1287 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 1287 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PLANNING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to include objectives and policies and implementation guidelines for planning for the lei of green in the Hawaii State Planning Act.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from The Trust for Public Land, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Hawaii's Thousand Friends, Hawaii Audubon Society, Lei of Parks Coalition, Hawaii Bicycling League, Kaka'ako Makai Community Planning Advisory Council, O'ahu Island Parks Conservancy, Trees for Honolulu's Future, and four individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Office of Planning.

Your Committee finds that the lei of green was first brought forth by the renowned national planner Lewis Mumford to benefit the Territory of Hawaii, as a plan to link Honolulu's green parks, open space, recreation areas, and greenways mauka to makai along the shoreline, interconnected with tree-lined pedestrian paths for shade and climate control. While your Committee understands the importance of focusing the lei of green in the urban area of Honolulu from Diamond Head to Aloha Tower, your Committee believes

that a lei of green plan should be considered at a statewide level.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an effective date of December 31, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

Your Committee notes that although this measure does not contain an appropriation, the Office of Planning's testimony requests an appropriation of \$250,000 to plan the lei of green from Diamond Head to Aloha Tower.

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 S.B. No. 1287, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1287, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

KAIA KAHELE, Chair

## The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Water and Land WTL

Bill / Resolution No.:* Committee Referral: Date: 2/13/2019				
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.				
If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is:				
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X		-	
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				X
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt				X
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation:				
Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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