Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 ' 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1930

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1930 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AGGREGATION DEVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make a one-time appropriation to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the Fish Aggregation Device Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, HFACT, and five individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the State's system of fish aggregation devices, maintained by the Division of Aquatic Resources in partnership with the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology, provides enhanced fishing opportunities for island fishers. According to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, an average of fifteen fish aggregation devices go missing each year, and the Department has been unable to keep up with the replacement of missing devices. A one-time infusion of funds to replace off-station fish aggregation devices and to replace devices in the coming year would bring the Fish Aggregation Device Program back to full capacity.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1930, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1930, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB1930	Committee Referral: WAL, FIN		Dat	Date: 2/10/2022		
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WAL Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)						
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2. BRANCO, Patrick Pihana (V	C)	√				
3. GANADEN, Sonny		<u></u>				
J. GANADEN, Somly						
4. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand						
5. KONG, Sam Satoru						
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	Disc.				Protection	
7. OHNO, Takashi						
8. McDERMOTT, Bob						
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