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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.C.R. No. 148

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 148 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO INVESTIGATE, REVIEW, AND PURSUE ALL APPLICABLE CIVIL CLAIMS AND CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST THE OWNER AND COMMERCIAL OPERATOR OF THE YACHT "NAKOA","

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of the Attorney General to investigate, review, and pursue all applicable civil claims and criminal charges against the owner and commercial operator of the yacht "Nakoa".

Your Committee received testimony on this measure with comments from the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Your Committee received testimony in support from two Councilmembers of the Maui County Council, the Save Honolua Coalition, and from twenty-six individuals.

Your Committee finds that the preservation of access to Honolua Bay and protection of the greater Honolua-Mokuleia Bay Marine Life Conservation District require timely and consistent enforcement of all applicable state laws and administrative rules governing the use of these areas.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 148 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



