

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

704

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2023

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RE: H.B. No. 1254
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Homelessness, to which was referred H.B. No. 1254 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to establish a homelessness coordinator position within the Department of Land and Natural Resources on the island of Maui.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee finds that homelessness continues to be one of the State's most significant and challenging social problems that requires continuous resources and coordinated efforts at all levels. This measure ensures that the Department of Land and Natural Resources remains a key partner in effectively responding to homeless individuals on the Department's lands, while continuing to protect the State's natural resources.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Establishing and appropriating funds for additional homelessness coordinator positions within the Department

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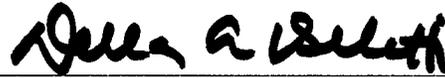


of Land and Natural Resources for Oahu, Kauai, and Hawaii island;

- (2) Changing the effective date to June 30, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) 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 Health & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1254, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1254, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health &
Homelessness,



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



