

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3262

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2715  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.B. No. 2715, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the issuance of special number plates to commemorate Mālama Pu'uloa.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Hui O Ho'ohonua.

Your Committee finds that that Keawalau o Puuloa, also known as Puuloa or Pearl Harbor, is a place of cultural significance that exemplifies the power of positive, community-led change. Your Committee further finds that while Puuloa was an abundant water resource for many ecosystems, the introduction of chemicals, toxic materials, and heavy metals have led to significant contamination of the area. However, in response to the environmental neglect, the nonprofit organization Mālama Pu'uloa has mobilized and engaged an entire community in cleanup and education efforts. This measure will recognize the positive impact of Mālama Pu'uloa in the State by designating a special number plate to be issued throughout the State.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding language to limit the special number plate design to four and a half inches in height by four and a half inches in width;
- (2) Adding language to require the special number plate design to comply with all requirements regulating number plates in section 249-9(a); and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2715, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2715, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Transportation and  
Culture and the Arts,



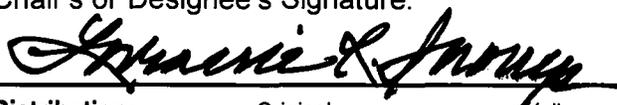
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CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-Second Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB 2715 HDI</b>	Committee Referral: <b>TCA, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3-19-2024</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo				✓
AWA, Brenton	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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