

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1132

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 , 2023

RE: H.B. No. 905
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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 905, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER YIELDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the University of Hawaii, in consultation with the Commission on Water Resource Management, to develop a scope of work and cost analysis to complete a flexible groundwater model that proposes methods for determining the needs of traditional and customary Native Hawaiian practices, climate change projections, and groundwater dependent ecosystems.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Sierra Club of Hawai'i, and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from three individuals.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 905, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



