

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1136
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 1136 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PARKS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Land and Natural Resources to conduct a study of the carrying capacity of Makena State Park in the County of Maui; and
- (2) Appropriate funds.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of the Mayor of the County of Maui, Kihei Community Association, and Maui Tomorrow Foundation. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that that Makena State Park is a unique community resource not only for south Maui but for all the people of the island. As with other state beach parks, the increase in tourism volume has resulted in an excess of visitor traffic to



Makena State Park, necessitating further investment in this iconic area.

Your Committee further finds that when increased tourism volume created a strain at Haena and Waianapanapa state parks, a carrying capacity study was conducted and a tourism management plan was put into place. The plan allowed for the generation of additional revenue from the increased traffic and ensured that residents' public access to these important community assets would be preserved. Therefore, this measure requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to conduct a study of the carrying capacity of Makena State Park in the County of Maui.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) 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 Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1136, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1136, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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


LORRAINE R. INOUYE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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| Bill / Resolution No.:* | Committee Referral: | Date: | | |
| SB 1136 | WTL, WAM | 02/15/2023 | | |
| <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 |
| INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C) | ✓ | | | |
| ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC) | ✓ | | | |
| CHANG, Stanley | ✓ | | | |
| MCKELVEY, Angus L.K. | ✓ | | | |
| FEVELLA, Kurt | ✓ | | | |
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