

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3024

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 1 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2182

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2182 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OCEAN STEWARDSHIP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make permanent the Ocean Stewardship Special Fund.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Kuaaina Ulu Auamo, Nature Conservancy, Sierra Club of Hawaii, and one individual.

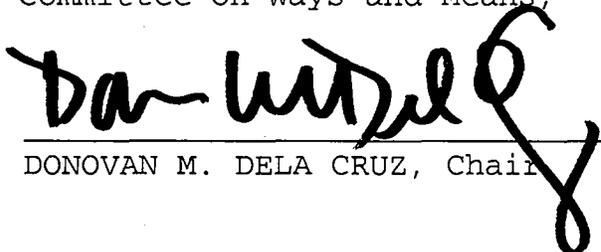
Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from the Ocean Tourism Coalition.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii's ocean waters and marine resources are some of the State's most ecologically, economically, and culturally valuable environmental assets. Your Committee further finds that Act 46, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, created the Ocean Stewardship Special Fund to provide a sustainable funding source for the conservation, restoration, enhancement, and management of the State's marine resources. Your Committee finds that making the special fund permanent will ensure that fees paid by ocean users will continue to be used for ongoing conservation efforts.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2182 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-Second Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB2182</b>	Committee Referral: <b>WTL, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/1/2024</b>
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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  
 If so, then the previous decision was to: \_\_\_\_\_

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312     
  Pass, with amendments 2311     
  Hold 2310     
  Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				X
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

Recommendation:     
 Adopted     
 Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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