STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2954

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 1 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2501 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 Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2501, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Hawaii Invasive Species Council to prioritize the protection of exceptional trees from invasive species.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Farm Bureau.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Hawaii Invasive Species Council.

Your Committee finds that it is the policy of the State to safeguard exceptional trees from destruction. Your Committee further finds that invasive species pose a serious risk to exceptional trees and that those trees should thus be prioritized for protection.

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. 2501, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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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.:*	Committee	Committee Referral:			Date:		
SB 2501 SD1 AEN/L		NTL, WAM		2/28/24			
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.							
If so, then the previous decision was to:							
The Recommendation is:							
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313							
Members		Aye	Aye (W	(R)	Nay	Excused	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		7					
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)		1					
AQUINO, Henry J.C.		7					
DECOITE, Lynn		1			·		
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.		*					
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		7					
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		+			_		
KIDANI, Michelle N.		人					
KIM, Donna Mercado		/					
LEE, Chris		人					
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.						\	
WAKAI, Glenn		X					
FEVELLA, Kurt		1					
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TOTAL		12					
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted							
Chair's or Designee's Signature:							
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