STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2914

Honolulu, Hawaii

## MAR 0 1 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2546 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 Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2546, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUNTING GUIDES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require hunting guides to:

- (1) Obtain written permission from the owners of private lands before taking their clients to hunt on the private land; and
- (2) Submit a copy of the written permission to the Department of Land and Natural Resources as part of their annual reports.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Kealia Ranch; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; and twelve individuals.

Your Committee finds that unpermitted hunting on private land is extremely dangerous for both the landowner and the hunter. While existing law forbids hunters from hunting on private lands without the landowner's consent, recent incidents of livestock slaughtering, theft, vandalism, crop destruction, and poaching have become prevalent throughout the State. Your Committee

further finds that more is needed to help farmers, ranchers, and private land owners to manage responsible access to their lands. Therefore, this measure addresses the concerns of landowners by enforcing proper management of hunting activities.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2546, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

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KARL RHOADS, Chair

## The Senate Thirty-Second Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary JDC

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SB 2546 SD1	WTL,	JDC	02 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 (WR)	Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)		V		-	_
GABBARD, Mike (VC)					
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.					
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.					
AWA, Brenton					
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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