

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1547

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2023

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RE: S.B. No. 316

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 Agriculture & Food Systems, to which was referred S.B. No. 316 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOGS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish additional penalties for dog owners whose dog injures or destroys property of another while on private property zoned for agricultural use without consent of the owner of the property.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.

Your Committee finds that establishing an additional penalty for injuries or damages to animals or other property on land zoned for agricultural use that a dog owner is responsible for will deter dog owners from entering private property without consent and motivate them to take stronger precautions in securing their dogs to prevent harm to others' property.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to June 30, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and

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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 316, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 316, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Agriculture & Food  
Systems,



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CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES, Chair



