

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1585

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 , 2023

RE: S.B. No. 775  
S.D. 1  
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 Water & Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 775, S.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose 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 the location of each guided hunt and 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 the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that guided hunting tours help manage game populations, provide a living wage for hunting guides, and help drive the State's economy. However, instances of hunting tours traversing private land without permission have led to

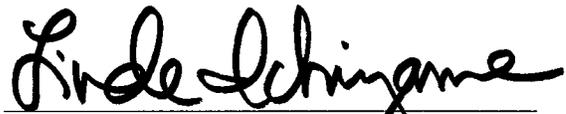


concerning and potentially dangerous scenarios. This measure seeks to prevent the occurrence of these perilous situations.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to June 30, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 775, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 775, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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

  
LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair



