

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 16 2025

RE: H.C.R. No. 191
H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred
H.C.R. No. 191, H.D. 1, entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONVENE A KAILUA BAY ADVISORY
WORKING GROUP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Department of Land and Natural Resources to convene a Kailua Bay
Advisory Working Group.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from CARES.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the
Department of Land and Natural Resources and Hawai'i Tourism
Authority.

Your Committee finds that Kailua Pier located in Kailua-Kona,
Hawaii Island, and the surrounding area of Kailua Bay hold deep
cultural and historical significance and serve as a key arrival
point for cruise ships that bring thousands of visitors to West
Hawaii annually, fostering both economic growth and cultural
preservation. Your Committee further finds that the high level of
activity at Kailua Pier has resulted in persistent challenges
related to homelessness, creating ongoing safety and sanitation



concerns for users and visitors. While maintenance of the facilities at Kailua Pier is necessary, the management and operations of Kailua Pier fall under the jurisdiction of several entities, including federal, state, county, and local nonprofit organizations. Accordingly, this measure will foster coordinated management and effective oversight of Kailua Pier by establishing a Kailua Bay Advisory Working Group to adopt an interjurisdictional approach to address the challenges facing the maintenance of Kailua Pier and its facilities.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 191, H.D. 1, and recommends its adoption.

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


LORRAINE R. INOUÉ, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Third Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Water and Land
WTL

Bill / Resolution No.:* HR 191, HD1	Committee Referral: WTL	Date: 4/11/25		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley				✓
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes