

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1063

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2025

RE: S.B. No. 148
S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Ways and Means and Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 148, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMBAT SPORTS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a regulatory framework in the State for combat sports.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Renames the Boxing Commission of Hawaii to the Combat Sports Commission of Hawaii and expands its jurisdiction to include combat sports and mixed martial arts; and
- (2) Repeals the mixed martial arts program under Chapter 440E, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Your Committees received written comments in support of this measure from two individuals.

Your Committees received written comments on this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Your Committees find that many residents in the State have embraced combat sports, with combat sports events drawing full-capacity crowds to the Neal S. Blaisdell Arena. Your Committees



further find that, to continue growing the combat sports industry in the State, the Hawaii Boxing Commission should be expanded to include combat sports.

Your Committees have amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Ways and Means and Judiciary that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 148, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 148, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Ways and Means
and Judiciary,



KARL RHOADS, Chair



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Third Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB148 SD1</i>	Committee Referral: <i>CPN/EDT, WAM/JDC</i>	Date: <i>2-26-2025</i>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	<i>13</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
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

