

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1802-26

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 , 2026

RE: H.C.R. No. 61

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 61 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO WORK WITH ITS PARTNERS TO INCREASE INVESTMENT IN POLICIES, INCENTIVES, WORKFORCE, AND NURSERY CAPACITY TO REFOREST HAWAII'S PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LANDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Department of Land and Natural Resources to work with its partners to increase investment in policies, incentives, workforce, and nursery capacity to reforest Hawaii's public and private lands.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Hawai'i Reforestation Policy Hui; and eight individuals.

Your Committee finds that the State urgently needs to invest in state and private nursery modernization to increase the supply of high-quality, clean native seedlings necessary for reforestation. Your Committee further finds that strengthening reforestation in Hawaii is vital to advancing Hawaii's goals of resilience, watershed protection, and ecosystem restoration.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your

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Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 61 and recommends its adoption.

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

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MARK J. HASHEM, Chair



