

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3425

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 06 2026

RE: S.R. No. 174

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs, to which was referred S.R. No. 174 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THE FIRE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI RELATING TO FIRE HAZARDS, BRUSH CLEARANCE, FUEL BREAKS, ROADSIDE VEGETATION CLEARING, AND EMERGENCY ACCESS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the County of Maui to enforce the provisions of the Fire Code of the County of Maui relating to fire hazards, brush clearance, fuel breaks, roadside vegetation clearing, and emergency access.

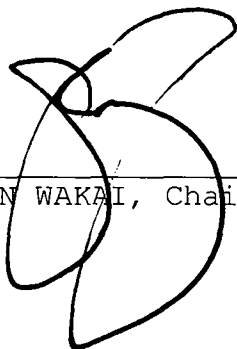
Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from Aloha Independent Living Hawaii.

Your Committees find that residents of Maui County, especially vulnerable residents, continue to live in temporary and permanent housing in West Maui, and their safety depends on reliable evacuation routes, accessible ingress and egress, and proactive management of hazardous fuels near homes and roads. Strong, visible enforcement of existing fire code requirements is essential to protect lives, housing, and major access corridors, particularly for people who need more time, assistance, or equipment to evacuate. This measure urges effective enforcement of fire codes to protect the safety of residents in Maui County.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 174 and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs,



GLENN WAKAI, Chair



CAROL FUKUNAGA, Chair



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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
FUKUNAGA, Carol (C)	✓			
LEE, Chris (VC)	✓			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R.				✓
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: [Signature]				
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WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley (VC)	✓			
DECOITE, Lynn	✓			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	5			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
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