STAND. COM. REP. NO. <u>1169</u> Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: S.B. No. 1134 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1134, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEEIA STATE PARK,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make an appropriation to create a community-based long-range plan for Heeia State Park and to plan and construct an education center for the Heeia National Estuarine Research Reserve System.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Nature Conservancy, Heeia National Estuarine Research Reserve, Koolaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club, Koolau Foundation, and Kahuluu Neighborhood Board #29.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Kamaaina Kids, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the proposed community-based long-range plan and education center would contribute to greater community engagement at Heeia State Park and increase local and national support for the region's research, education, and restoration efforts.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1134, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair