

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3070
Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: S.B. No. 3164
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii
Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 3164, S.D. 1, entitled:
"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE SURFING COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a State Commission on Surfing to promote the sport of surfing and educate people locally, nationally, and internationally about the sport's unique connection to Hawaii.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Tourism Authority, Bishop Museum, and Hawaii Lodging and Tourism Association.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

Your Committee finds that the 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo, Japan, will be the first Olympic Games to include a surfing competition, and establishment of a State Commission on Surfing will position the State to capitalize on an anticipated increase in national and international attention to the sport. Your Committee further finds that a State Commission on Surfing will expand recognition of Hawaii's role in the invention, development, and history of surfing, thereby increasing both interest in the sport and tourism to the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 3164, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3164, S.D. 2.

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

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair