COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, WATER AND ENERGY SUSTAINABILITY

1st Session

ORDER OF BUSINESS

West Hawai‘i Civic Center
74-5044 Ane Keohokālole Highway, Building A
Kailua-Kona, Hawai‘i

February 17, 2015
1:30 p.m.

(Note: Please turn cell phones, pagers, and other mobile communication devices on silent mode.)

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

COMMUNICATIONS

Comm. 31: REQUESTS A PRESENTATION BY DR. BILL WALSH, AQUATIC BIOLOGIST FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF AQUATIC RESOURCES, ON THE SUSTAINABILITY OF AQUARIUM LIFE
From Council Member Greggor Ilagan, dated December 10, 2014.

Serving the Interests of the People of Our Island
Hawai‘i County is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer.
REQUESTS A PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION BY DR. TERESA TELECKY, DIRECTOR OF WILDLIFE FOR HUMANE SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL, AND MARINE BIOLOGIST DR. KATHERINE MUZIK, DIRECTOR OF KULU WAI, A KAUA‘I BASED ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH FOUNDATION, ON ISSUES RELATED TO AQUARIUM LIFE COLLECTION PRACTICES

From Council Member Margaret Wille, dated January 26, 2015.

ORDER OF RESOLUTIONS

BILLS FOR ORDINANCES

Bill 318: AMENDS CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 4-1 AND ADDS A NEW SECTION TO ARTICLE 4 OF THE HAWAI‘I COUNTY CODE 1983 (2005 EDITION, AS AMENDED), RELATING TO TREATMENT OF AQUARIUM LIFE

Establishes provisions for the protection of marine life that is harvested with the intent to sell for aquarium use. Protections include prohibiting withholding food from aquarium life for more than 24 hours, requiring ample water supply when transporting aquarium life, and prohibiting the transport of aquarium life in a manner that is likely to cause injury or death. Any person violating these provisions would be subject to a fine of up to $1,000, imprisonment of up to 30 days, or both.

Reference: Comm. 1145
Intr. by: Ms. Wille
Postponed: November 18, 2014

(Note: There is a pending motion by Ms. Poindexter and duly seconded by Ms. Ford to recommend passage of Bill 318 on first reading.)


Regulates aquarium life operations by setting forth procedures, terms, and conditions for issuance of licenses. Conditions include a $100 application fee; annual renewals; an annual fee of $2,000 for operations, with an additional $1,000 for certain species; and a report every 180 days to the Finance Director. Any person operating without a license is subject to a fine of $1,000; each violation of one or more conditions of the license will result in a fine of not more than $500 per incident; and failure to file a report will result in a license suspension.

Reference: Comm. 118
Intr. by: Ms. Wille
ADJOURNMENT

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- County Facility (former Bank of Hawai‘i Building), 54-3888 Akoni Pule Highway, Kohala;
- Hawaiian Ocean View Estates Community Center, 92-8924 Leilani Circle; and
- Pāhoa Neighborhood Facility, 15-2710 Kauhale Street.

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