

4 HAWAIIAN MONK SEAL LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES

January – April 2010

1. **Increase Penalties – All Endangered Species**

Currently, under state law, it is only a misdemeanor to intentionally kill/harm an endangered species. Given the three recent seal shootings, increasing the state penalties to a class C felony is a needed deterrent for future endangered species killings.

Senate Bill 2441 All endangered species felony

Endangered Species; Felony; Private Right of Action

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House Bill 2767 All endangered species felony

All Endangered Species; Felony; Private Right of Action

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2. **Increase Penalties - Hawaiian monk seal only**

Same as above initiative, but applies specifically to the Hawaiian monk seal.

Senate Bill 2412 Hawaiian monk seal felony

Hawaiian Monk Seal; Felony; Private Right of Action

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House Bill 2235 Hawaiian monk seal felony

Hawaiian Monk Seal; Felony; Private Right of Action

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3. **PSA on Incoming Flights**

Directs airlines to play a PSA that highlights Hawaii's unique ecosystem and features the Hawaiian monk seal, our critically endangered state mammal. Outreach and education to residents and visitors is essential to preserve Hawaii's fragile environment.

Senate Bill 2362 Airline PSA

Conservation Outreach; Hawaiian Monk Seals; Airline Public Service Announcements

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House Bill 2135 Airline PSA

Conservation Outreach; Hawaiian Monk Seals; Airline Public Service Announcements

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4. Endangered Species Kiosks

Establishes an outreach kiosk at each airport with information on the State's unique ecosystem and how to protect it. Features the Hawaiian monk seal, our critically endangered state mammal and other endangered species. Outreach and education to residents and visitors is essential to preserve Hawaii's fragile environment.

Senate Bill 2363 Airport Kiosks

Conservation Outreach; Hawaiian Monk Seal; Airports

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House Bill 2113 Airport Kiosks

Conservation Outreach; Hawaiian Monk Seal; Airports

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