

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1745-06

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 13, 2006

RE: H.C.R. No. 309  
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Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2006  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 309 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, VICE-PRINCIPALS, AND TEACHERS TO SATISFACTORILY COMPLETE AT LEAST ONE COURSE IN HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE INSTRUCTION AS PART OF THEIR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to:

- (1) Enable educators to provide educational program content and pedagogy that is relevant to students; and
- (2) Perpetuate the Hawaiian culture of our state,

by requesting the Department of Education (DOE) to develop a plan for all public school principals, vice principals, and teachers to satisfactorily complete at least one course in Hawaiian language and culture instruction as part of their licensing requirements.

The director of the University of Hawaii (UH) at Manoa Center for Hawaiian Studies and Hawaiian Language, co-coordinator of Hookulaiwi Program of the UH at Manoa College of Education, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this concurrent resolution. DOE supported the intent of this measure. A concerned individual opposed this measure.

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