

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3661

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 19 2006

RE: H.C.R. No. 243

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy, Environment, and International Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 243 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONDEMNING THE GENOCIDE IN WESTERN SUDAN AND URGING CONGRESS WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE PRESIDENT TO ENGAGE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF DARFUR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to condemn the genocide in western Sudan and to urge the United States Congress, with the support of the President, to engage the international community to take action to protect the people of Darfur.

Hawaii County submitted testimony in support of this measure.

Three years have passed since the media began releasing images of the mass displacement, human misery, and killings in western Sudan where now over two million people remain in camps and the death toll of men, women, and children is estimated to be more than one hundred and eighty thousand. The United States President and the current and former Secretaries of State have declared the acts in western Sudan to be genocide.

Your Committee finds that the continuing atrocities in Darfur demand an aggressive response from the international community and that the United States President, Department of State, and Congress should be urged to take action to protect the people of Darfur.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy, Environment, and International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 243, and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy,
Environment, and International
Affairs,



J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Third Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the
Committee on Energy, Environment and International Affairs
(Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* HCR 243	Committee Referral: EIA	Date: April 13, 2006		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (2312) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (2311) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold (2310) <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit (2313)				
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (C)	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)	/			
HANABUSA, Colleen				/
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred				/
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Russell S. Kohn</i>				
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