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RE: H.C.R. No. 34
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

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. 34, H.D. 1, entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE FIFTY-SECOND
ANNIVERSARY OF THE DETONATION OF THE BRAVO HYDROGEN BOMB OVER
BIKINI ATOLL, DECLARING MARCH 1ST AS A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE,
AND REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ENACT
APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO PROVIDE FOR THE FULL HEALTH NEEDS OF
THE HYDROGEN BOMB TESTS SURVIVORS AND THEIR PROGENY, PAY
APPROPRIATE PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIMS, AND PROVIDE FOR THE COSTS
OF CLEANING UP NUCLEAR SITES IN THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL
ISLANDS IN CONNECTION WITH HYDROGEN BOMB TESTING ON ATOLLS OF
THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to declare March 1st as a day
of remembrance for the people of the Republic of the Marshall
Islands who suffer severe health consequences as a result of
nuclear weapons testing that was conducted in that region by the
United States. The measure also requests the United States
Congress to atone for this nation's mistake by providing for the
full health needs and appropriate property damage claims of
victims and by paying for the environmental remediation.

No testimony was submitted regarding this measure.

Your Committee finds that it is important to remember the
mistakes of our past to prevent them from being repeated, and that



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the United States Congress should provide full and just compensation to the people of the Republic of the Marshall Islands to try to rectify the harm to health and the environment that resulted from nuclear testing in that region.

Your Committee amended this measure by making technical, non-substantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 34, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 34, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

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



J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair



