

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 2007

RE: H.B. No. 345

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Tourism and Government Operations, to which was referred H.B. No. 345 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to recognize September 21 of each year as "Peace Day."

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Junior Young Buddhist Association; Retail Merchants of Hawaii; The League of Women Voters of Hawaii; Hawaii State Teachers Association; Wahiawa Lions Club, Inc.; Domestic Violence Clearinghouse and Legal Hotline; United Junior Young Buddhist Association of Honolulu; and nine individuals.

The intent of annually recognizing a Peace Day is to promote peace programs, improve international relations, and increase educational awareness of peace. This measure does not make Peace Day a holiday.

Peace Day has its origins in "The International Day of Peace" which was celebrated on September 21, 2006, in two hundred countries and 3,500 peace day events, including all one hundred ninety-two members of the United Nations. The purpose was to promote a global movement for a culture of peace. Especially in these dangerous and turbulent times, your Committee believes there is a need to consciously and actively focus on the goals of peace for all mankind. This measure would bring it to the consciousness of citizens of the State once a year.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Tourism and Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 345, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.


Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Tourism and  
Government Operations,

  
CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
 State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Tourism and Government Operations**  
**TSG**

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB345 (HSCR775)	Committee Referral: TSG	Date:		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <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	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado (VC)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S.	/			
TRIMBLE, Gordon	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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