

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.C.R. No. 291

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation and International Affairs,  
to which was referred H.C.R. No. 291 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE WORLD HEALTH  
ORGANIZATION TO CONFER "OBSERVER STATUS" UPON TAIWAN IN ORDER  
TO PERMIT TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WORLD HEALTH  
ORGANIZATION'S PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the World Health  
Organization to confer "observer status" upon Taiwan in order to  
permit Taiwan's participation in the World Health Organization's  
programs and activities.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from two individuals.

The protection of the health and welfare of all peoples of  
the world depends greatly upon the World Health Organization.  
Taiwan, although having a population of twenty-three million  
people, is not a member of the World Health Organization. Taiwan  
has expressed a desire and willingness to participate in the World  
Health Organization's programs and activities.

Before Taiwan lost its membership in the World Health  
Organization in 1972 because of termination of its membership in  
the United Nations, Taiwan was a valuable contributing member of  
the World Health Organization. If allowed to participate again,  
there is no doubt that Taiwan will serve as a productive member of  
the World Health Organization.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 291, and recommends its adoption.

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



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J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
 State of Hawaii

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**Committee on Transportation and International Affairs**  
**TIA**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HCR 291 (HSCR 1800)</b>	Committee Referral: <b>TIA</b>	Date: <b>4-16-07</b>		
<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
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (C)	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R. (VC)				✓
ESPERO, Will	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.				✓
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				✓
TSUTSUI, Shan S.	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>3</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Will Espero</i>				
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