

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1385

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 2007

RE: S.C.R. No. 224
S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.C.R.
No. 224 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CENTER FOR
PACIFIC ISLAND STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA
TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS THE NEEDS
OF PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve services to Pacific
Islanders by requesting the Center for Pacific Island Studies at
the University of Hawaii at Manoa to establish a task force to
identify and address the needs of Pacific Islanders in Hawaii.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the
University of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the Center for Pacific Island
Studies of the University of Hawaii at Manoa is a Congressionally-
recognized national resource center for the study of the Pacific
Islands. The Center largely serves the Pacific and its residents
by providing the active exchange of knowledge on the region. Your
Committee further finds that as a result of the State's geographic
location, Hawaii supports a large percentage of Pacific Islander
residents throughout the State and must work toward identifying
their needs and providing appropriate services therefor. Your
Committee believes that the convening of a task force to study and
provide recommendations for meeting the needs of the Pacific
Islander community, including individuals from Micronesia, in

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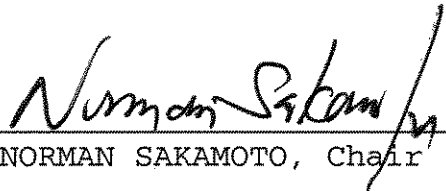
Hawaii is necessary to properly care for members of this community and that the Center for Pacific Island Studies is the appropriate body to consider these issues.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that the task force's purview includes studying the needs of individuals from Micronesia in Hawaii; and
- (2) Removing language that related to numbers for the Pacific Islander population in Hawaii because those numbers also include Native Hawaiians and are thereby erroneous.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 224, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 224, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Education,

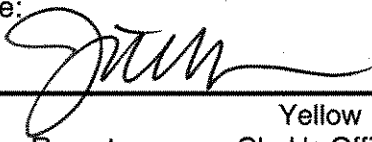


NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SCR 224</i>	Committee Referral: <i>EDU, TIA</i>	Date: <i>03/30/07</i>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SAKAMOTO, Norman (C)	X			
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	X			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	X			
HEE, Clayton				X
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				X
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				X
GABBARD, Mike	X			
TOTAL	<i>4</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>3</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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