

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 260

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 S.B. No. 260 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 Retail Merchants of Hawaii; Buddhist Study Center; The League of Women Voters of Hawaii; Hawaii State Teachers Association; Jodo Mission of Hawaii; Wahiawa Lions Club, Inc.; Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii; Domestic Violence Clearinghouse and Legal Hotline; Junior Young Buddhist Association; and five 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.

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 S.B. No. 260 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.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB260	TSG	2-22-07		
<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	/			
TOTAL	3			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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