

Suggested Testimony for HCR 122/HCR 104 for 3/24/8
Monday, 2:00pm, Rm 209 State Capitol

Mahalo for hearing my testimony! I am Barbara Padello. I am a kupuna in the Hawaiian Studies Program and I teach at Waipahu Elementary School. I am in full support of HCR 122/HCR 104 w/ amendment.

I believe that it is important for all public school educators; principals, vice principals, teachers, and counselors to have as much knowledge about the Hawaiian culture at the primary and secondary levels. Increased awareness about Hawaii's host culture and language is beneficial to all students and public educators, as well.

By taking the following courses: 1) Hawaiian Studies 107 and 270; and 2) Hawaiian Language 101 and ~~102~~¹⁰² each educator will certainly facilitate and perpetuate Hawaii's host culture.

Please give HCR 122/HCR 104 your full support! I humbly thank you for your concurrence.

Respectfully submitted,


Barbara Padello