

TESTIMONY

SB 579

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Subject: Testimony for SB579 on 2/11/2009 2:45:00 PM

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Conference room: 229
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
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Comments:

In 1978 the State of Hawaii affirmed that Hawaiian and English are equally the official languages of the State. Despite this the State has not treated Hawaiian as an equal to English. The State must make good on its findings that Hawaiian is as legitimate as English in all matters. The Territorial government did irreparable damage to the native Hawaiian speaking community with its xenophobic policies tantamount to human rights violations. It is now the State of Hawaii government that must address and remedy the situation by not furthering those policies and pretending that such policies should be accepted by the public as inconsequential. Please do the right thing and support SB 579.

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Comments:

This is important legislation that is an important step in forwarding the Hawaiian language in the public sphere. Being that the Hawaiian language is an official language of the state, I believe that this legislation is necessary to demonstrate that the Hawaiian language has the status that is proclaimed by the state constitution.

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Comments:

As a mother who is trying to raise her child in both English and Hawaiian, I support this bill because it is a way to make Hawaiian language that much more common in the community. Please pass this bill.

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