
HOUSE RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING H.R. 3680 AND S. 1732 TO AMEND THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT TO PROVIDE FOR HEALTH DATA REGARDING NATIVE HAWAIIANS AND OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDERS.

1 WHEREAS, Census 2000 identified nearly a million native
2 Hawaiians across the nation, with the majority of them living in
3 Hawaii; and

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5 WHEREAS, federal legislation, H.R. 3680, was introduced by
6 Congresswoman Madeleine Bordallo on September 30, 2009, and was
7 also sponsored by Congresspersons Neil Abercrombie, Eni
8 Faleomavaega, Mazie Hirono, Michael Honda, and Gregorio Sablan;
9 and

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11 WHEREAS, Senator Daniel Inouye also introduced federal
12 legislation, S. 1732, on September 30, 2009, which was co-
13 sponsored by Senator Daniel Akaka and was read and referred to
14 the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs; and

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16 WHEREAS, these bills, both entitled the Native Hawaiian and
17 Other Pacific Islander Health Data Act of 2009, aim to identify
18 and evaluate the health status and healthcare needs of native
19 Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders, thereby establishing
20 baseline health information to achieve equity in health
21 information for those populations; and

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23 WHEREAS, efforts to collect data would be targeted at the
24 major areas and regions in the continental United States,
25 Hawaii, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana
26 Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, the Republic
27 of Palau, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands in which
28 native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander people reside; now,
29 therefore,



H.R. NO. 55

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 2 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 3 of 2010, that the Legislature supports the passage of H.R. 3680
 4 and S. 1732 to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide
 5 for health data regarding native Hawaiians and other Pacific
 6 Islanders; and

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 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 9 Resolution be transmitted to Hawaii's congressional delegation,
 10 Congresswoman Madeleine Bordallo, Congressman Eni Faleomavaega,
 11 Congressman Michael Honda, and Congressman Gregorio Sablan.
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