

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 247

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 13, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 963
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Tourism, Culture, & International Affairs,
to which was referred H.B. No. 963 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKS OF ART SPECIAL FUND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to allow funds from the Works of Art Special Fund to be used for art and artifacts to be placed in the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum and Iolani Palace.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Historic Hawaii Foundation, Bishop Museum, and The Friends of Iolani Palace testified in support of this bill. The Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts opposed this measure. The Department of Accounting and General Services offered comments.

Your Committee notes that Act 291, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2007, amended section 6E-35, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), to designate the Friends of Iolani Palace as the State of Hawaii Museum of Monarchy History. Act 398, SLH 1988, designated the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum as the State of Hawaii Museum of Natural and Cultural History, as referenced in section 6E-40, HRS. These statutory designations permit the Friends of Iolani Palace and Bishop Museum to receive state funds upon meeting applicable provisions.

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Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Tourism, Culture, & International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 963, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 963, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Tourism, Culture,
& International Affairs,



JOEY MANAHAN, Chair



