

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2037

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2500

S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2500 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require that the state Auditor conduct a financial and management audit of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and to issue a report of the findings prior to the convening of the 2011 legislative session.

Testimony in support of the measure was submitted by one organization and ten individuals. Testimony in opposition was submitted by one state agency. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee recognizes that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs is statutorily required to submit an audit every four years, and is subject to federal audits for the use of federal funds. However, despite these efforts, there remain significant questions regarding the Office of Hawaiian Affairs' use of funds and management decisions. Your Committee finds that these questions should be answered fully to the satisfaction of the community.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050 for the purposes of further discussion; and

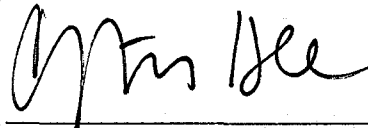
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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2500, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2500, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Water, Land,  
Agriculture, and Hawaiian  
Affairs,




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CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Fifth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs**  
**WTL**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 2500</b>	Committee Referral: <b>WTL, WAM</b>	Date: <b>1/29/10</b>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311				
<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310				
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	✓			
BUNDA, Robert	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol				✓
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				✓
TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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