

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 143

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 9, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 1154

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred
H.B. No. 1154 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to formally recognize the aha moku system by creating the Aha Kiole Commission in the Department of Land and Natural Resources. This Commission will empower native Hawaiians to participate in the management of Hawaii's natural, cultural, and historical resources. Specifically, the new Commission would advise the Governor on issues related to land and natural resource management through the aha moku system, a system of best practices, based on indigenous resource management practices of moku boundaries, which acknowledge the natural contours of land, the specific resources located within those areas, and the methodology necessary to sustain resources and the community.

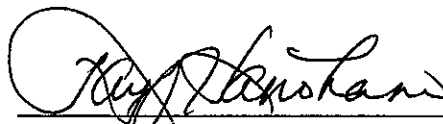
Members of the Aha Kiole Advisory Committee and members of the 43 moku from each island, the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, the Maunaloa Hawaiian Civic Club, the Save Honolulu Coalition, the Maui Cooperative Fishing Association, the Princess Kaiulani Hawaiian Civic Club, the Koolaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club, and numerous individuals supported this bill. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs supported the intent of the bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources opposed the measure. An individual provided comments.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1154 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,



FAYE HANOHANO, Chair



