

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 11, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 396

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. 396 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that members of certain state councils, boards, and commissions are fully informed of their responsibilities to preserve and protect native Hawaiian and Hawaiian traditional and customary rights, natural resource protection and access rights, and the public trust by requiring the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) to establish, design, and facilitate a mandatory training course for new members of certain council, board, and commission members twice annually within six months of the new member's official appointment.

OHA, Kanaka Council Moku o Keawe, Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs Oahu Council, and Koolaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club testified in support of this measure. A concerned individual testified in opposition of this bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources and a concerned individual offered comments.

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. 396 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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



FAYE KANOHANO, Chair



