

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1236

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 29, 2011

RE: H.C.R. No. 67
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on International Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 67 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAI`I AND THE ISLANDS OF POLYNESIA,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to request the Governor to set up a task force within the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) to establish a relationship between Hawaii and the islands of Polynesia, including:

- (1) Western Province - Solomon Islands;
- (2) Rarotonga District - Cook Islands;
- (3) Easter Island;
- (4) Province of Tahiti - French Polynesia;
- (5) Pohnpei Province - Micronesia;
- (6) Westland Province - New Zealand;
- (7) Madang Province - Papua New Guinea;

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- (8) Pitcairn Island District - Pitcairn Islands;
- (9) Upolu District - Samoa;
- (10) Tongatapu District - Tonga;
- (11) Funafuti District - Tuvalu; and
- (12) 'Uvea Province - Wallis and Futuna.

Several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. DBEDT supported the intent. A concerned individual provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its title to read: "REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAI'I AND THE ISLANDS OF OCEANIA";
- (2) Broadening the geographic scope by:
 - (A) Replacing references to Polynesia with Oceania; and
 - (B) Clarifying that the islands of Oceania that the Governor is being requested to set up a task force to establish a relationship with Hawaii are not limited to the ones listed;
- (3) Replacing Easter Island with the Republic of Vanuatu and adding the Republic of the Fiji Islands as islands of Oceania that the Governor is being requested to set up a task force to establish a relationship with Hawaii;
- (4) Requesting that DBEDT submit a report of the task force's findings to the Legislature no later than 20 days prior to the Regular Session of 2012; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments, for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 67, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 67, H.D. 1.

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




KAREN L. AWANA, Chair



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House of Representatives
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on International Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 67	Committee Referral: INT, FIN	Date: 3/2/2011		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
INT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. AWANA, Karen L. (C)	✓			
2. HASHEM, Mark J. (VC)	✓			
3. BROWER, Tom				✓
4. CHOY, Isaac W.				✓
5. EVANS, Cindy				✓
6. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				✓
8. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				✓
9. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
10. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
11. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (11)	6	0	0	5
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>Committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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