



HCR 295 / HR 260
RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
FOR ITS STUDY ON THE DISPARATE TREATMENT OF NATIVE HAWAIIANS IN
THE CRIMINAL-JUSTICE SYSTEM
House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

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Room 329

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) humbly **SUPPORTS** HCR 295 and HR 260 which recognizes and commends the Office of Hawaiian Affairs for its study entitled, "The Disparate Treatment of Native Hawaiians in the Criminal Justice System".

OHA would like to thank the Legislature for its expression of support for this research with its passage of HCR27 HD1, Requesting a Study of Disparate Treatment in Hawaii's Criminal Justice System, during the 2009 Legislature.

OHA would like to emphasize that this project would not have been possible without the support and collaboration of a number of research partners, community partners, and dedicated individuals. It is our hope that the findings of this study lead to positive changes in the criminal-justice system for Native Hawaiians and all the people of Hawai'i.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Aloha. Papa Ola Lokahi, the Native Hawaiian Health Board, strongly supports this measure. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) has drawn attention to a real health and wellness concern impacting almost all Native Hawaiian families in some way. The Office needs to be recognized for this important study. Thank you for the opportunity to provide supportive testimony.

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