

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1069

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28 2013

RE: S.C.R. No. 182
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Transportation and International Affairs and Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 182 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE ENHANCED TRADE AND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES AMONG MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE TRANS-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP AND ENCOURAGING SUPPORT FOR FINALIZATION OF THE PARTNERSHIP,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to express support for the enhanced trade and investment opportunities among member countries of the Trans-Pacific Partnership and encourage Hawai'i's Congressional delegation and other leaders to support negotiations to finalize the Partnership.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Australian Consulate-General.

The Trans-Pacific Partnership is a proposed free trade agreement among the United States and various countries having the purpose of stimulating the economies of member nations. The nations include the United States, Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, and Vietnam. The Trans-Pacific Partnership potentially could eliminate tariff and non-tariff barriers to trade and investment among the parties.

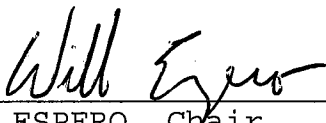


Hawai'i is located in the middle of the Pacific Ocean between the continents of Asia, Australia, and North and South America, whose countries bordering the Pacific are part of the Pacific Rim nations. Your Committees find that the Trans-Pacific Partnership agreement will create jobs and promote job retention in the United States and consequently in Hawai'i by increasing exports in the Pacific Rim region, which represent more than forty percent of global trade.

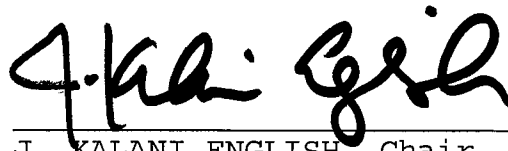
Your Committees have amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Transportation and International Affairs and Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 182, as amended herein, and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 182, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Transportation
and International Affairs and
Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs,



WILL ESPERO, Chair

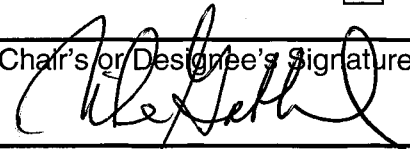


J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair



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Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation and International Affairs
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SCR 182	TIA/PSM, WAM	3-25-13		
<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
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (C)				✓
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				✓
SOLOMON, Malama				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	6	-	-	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

