

# HB 1089

Measure Title: RELATING TO KALO APPRECIATION MONTH.  
Report Title: Kalo Appreciation Month  
Description: Designates October as "Kalo Appreciation Month". (HB1089 HD1)  
Companion:  
Package: None  
Current Referral: THA/TEC  
Introducer(s): HANOHANO

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1/23/2013	H	Pending introduction.
1/24/2013	H	Introduced and Passed First Reading
1/28/2013	H	Referred to VMI, OMH, referral sheet 6
2/1/2013	H	Bill scheduled to be heard by VMI on Wednesday, 02-06-13 8:30AM in House conference room 312.
2/6/2013	H	The committees on VMI recommend that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes were as follows: 7 Ayes: Representative(s) Takai, Ito, Choy, Ohno, Onishi, Takayama, Tsuji; Ayes with reservations: none; Noes: none; and 3 Excused: Representative(s) Brower, Cachola, McDermott.
2/11/2013	H	Reported from VMI (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 261) as amended in HD 1, recommending passage on Second Reading and referral to OMH.
2/11/2013	H	Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on OMH with none voting aye with reservations; none voting no (0) and Representative(s) Cachola, Har, C. Lee, McKelvey, Takai, Thielen excused (6).
2/12/2013	H	Bill scheduled to be heard by OMH on Friday, 02-15-13 8:30AM in House conference room 325.
2/15/2013	H	The committees on OMH recommend that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes were as follows: 5 Ayes: Representative(s) Hanohano, Cullen, Coffman, Evans, Lowen; Ayes with reservations: none; Noes: none; and 3 Excused: Representative(s) Kawakami, C. Lee, Fale.
2/28/2013	H	Reported from OMH (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 640), recommending passage on Third Reading.
2/28/2013	H	Passed Third Reading with none voting aye with reservations; none voting no (0) and Coffman, McDermott excused (2). Transmitted to Senate.
3/1/2013	S	Received from House (Hse. Com. No. 120).
3/1/2013	S	Passed First Reading.
3/5/2013	S	Referred to THA/TEC.
3/8/2013	S	The committee(s) on THA/TEC has scheduled a public hearing on 03-11-13 2:45PM in conference room 224.

**TESTIMONY LIST**

	<b>OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS</b>	SUPPORT
Soulee Stroud	<b>ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS</b>	SUPPORT
Daniel Nahoopii	<b>OAHU COUNCIL ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS</b>	SUPPORT



**HB1089 HD1**  
**RELATING TO KALO APPRECIATION MONTH**  
Senate Committee on Tourism & Hawaiian Affairs  
Senate Committee on Technology and the Arts

March 11, 2013 2:45 p.m. Conference Room 224

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS** HB1089 HD1, which would designate October as “Kalo Appreciation Month.”

This measure honors the rich culture and history of the kalo plant in October. In 2007, the Hawai‘i Legislature passed Act 36 (2007) naming kalo as the official plant of the state. HB1089 would provide an opportunity to showcase the health benefits of kalo as a staple of the traditional Hawaiian diet as well as highlight the kalo plant’s historic, cultural and spiritual significance to Native Hawaiians. No other plant more suitably represents Hawai‘i.

The traditional mo‘olelo of Wākea and Papahānaumoku explains that the first kalo plant, Hāloanakalaukapalili, is the elder brother of Native Hawaiians. As the elder sibling, Hāloa provides sustenance to Native Hawaiians and, in return, we as the younger siblings care for Hāloa by ensuring that kalo flourishes. The bond that connects Native Hawaiians to kalo remains a sacred one, and it is our kuleana to preserve it. Kalo is not only integral to the identity of Native Hawaiians but also to the State of Hawai‘i as a whole.

Therefore, OHA urges the committee to **PASS** HB1089 HD1. Mahalo nui for the opportunity to testify.



## **Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs**

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Testimony of President Soulee Stroud

**JOINT SENATE COMMITTEES ON TOURISM &  
HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS  
AND  
TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS**

**HOUSE BILL 1089HD1 RE: TO KALO APPRECIATION MONTH**

Monday, March 11, 2013; 2:45pm; Room 224

Aloha Chairman Galuteria and Chairman Wakai and members of the joint Senate committee hearing HB1089HD1. I am Soulee Stroud, president of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs here to speak in support of this bill to designate October as Kalo Appreciation Month.

The Hawaiian Civic Clubs has consistently supported the growth and promotion of kalo agriculture and monitored the laws regulating the production and sale of poi. We support this bill as it continues to promote kalo agriculture and make the changing population of this State more aware of this important staple of Hawaii's indigenous people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Submitted on: 3/8/2013

Testimony for THA/TEC on Mar 11, 2013 14:45PM in Conference Room 224

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Daniel Nahoopii	Oahu Council, Assn of Hawaiian Civic Clubs	Support	No

Comments: On behalf of its Board of Directors and membership, we strongly support the HB 1089 HD1 which designates October as "Kalo Appreciation Month."

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