

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 251

H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 251,  
H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to create a \$1 fee for certified copies of birth, marriage, divorce, or death certificates issued by the Department of Health for certified copies sought as proof of an individual's Native Hawaiian ancestry for certification with the Native Hawaiian Roll Commission or for an individual's inclusion in the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Registry.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs and two individuals submitted testimony supporting the measure. The Department of Health and Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies submitted testimony opposing the measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Leaving the fee amount unspecified;
- (2) Amending the effective date of this measure to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 251, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 251, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Health,

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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



