

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEBRUARY 27**, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2573  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.B. No. 2573 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE INSTRUMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to honor a musical instrument that is recognized throughout the world and has a tremendous history in Hawaii by establishing and designating the ukulele as the official 'auwana instrument of the State.

Several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. One individual provided comments.


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the statutory description delineating the two-part origin of the ukulele;
- (2) Clarifying that the ukulele is the official musical string instrument of the State rather than the official 'auwana instrument; and
- (3) Making numerous technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2573, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2573, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Veterans,  
Military, & International  
Affairs, & Culture and the  
Arts,

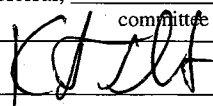
  
K. MARK TAKAI, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

**HSCR 660-14**

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB2573</b>	Committee Referral: <b>VMI</b>	Date: <b>2-12-14</b>		
<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)				
VMI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAI, K. Mark (C)	✓			
2. ITO, Ken (VC)	✓			
3. AWANA, Karen	✓			
4. BROWER, Tom	✓			
5. CACHOLA, Romy M.				✓
6. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
7. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
8. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
9. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
10. MCDERMOTT, Bob				✓
11. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
<b>TOTAL (11)</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>2</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small style="margin-left: 100px;">committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u></u>				
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