

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 18, 2016

RE: S.C.R. No. 20
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International
Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.C.R. No.
20, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SISTER STATE
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAI'I OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA AND THE STATE OF GOA OF THE REPUBLIC OF
INDIA, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to act upon the
recommendations of the Hawaii Sister-State Committee by
establishing a sister-state relationship, pursuant to section 229-
31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, between Hawaii and the State of Goa,
Republic of India, to promote mutual commerce and trade and
opportunities for economic, social, cultural, educational, and
environmental exchanges.

United States Representative Tulsi Gabbard and the Department
of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism supported this
measure. The Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies opposed this
measure.

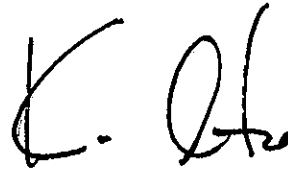


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that before recommending the establishment of a sister-state relationship between Hawaii and the State of Goa, the Hawaii Sister-State Committee reviewed the Hawaii/Goa sister-state application; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments that hyphenate the term "sister-state" in its title so that it reads: SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAI'I OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE STATE OF GOA OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA.

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 20, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 20, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

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



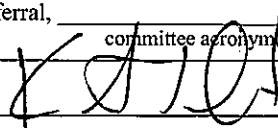
KEN ITO, Chair



State of Hawaii
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The Twenty-eighth Legislature

HSCR 1715-16

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

Bill/Resolution No.: SCR 20, SD 1	Committee Referral: VMI, FIN	Date: APRIL 14, 2016		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: ICTZ <input checked="" 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. ITO, Ken (C)	✓			
2. TOKIOKA, James Kunane (VC)	✓			
3. BROWER, Tom				✓
4. CACHOLA, Romy M.				✓
5. CHOY, Isaac W.				✓
6. DeCOITE, Lynn	✓			
7. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	✓			
8. KONG, Sam Satoru				✓
9. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
10. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
11. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
12. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
13. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani				✓
14. WARD, Gene				✓
TOTAL (14)	8			6
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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