

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 3, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 451

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 451 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reduce the minimum Hawaiian blood quantum requirement of certain successors to lessees of Hawaiian home lands from one quarter to one thirty-second.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Hawaiian Affairs Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Waiohuli Undivided Interest Lessees, Kalamaula Homesteaders Association, Keaukaha Community Association, Panaewa Hawaiian Home Lands Community Association, Hoomana Pono, LLC, and numerous individuals testified in support of this measure. The Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies testified in opposition to this measure. The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 451 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ocean, Marine  
Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs,

  
KANIELA ING, Chair



