

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1791

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 17, 2017

RE: S.C.R. No. 153
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs and Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 153, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ISSUE A PROCLAMATION TO DESIGNATE JUNE 1, 2018, TO JUNE 1, 2019, AS THE YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN AND REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO STUDY AND RECOMMEND TO THE LEGISLATURE A PLAN TO CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Governor to issue a proclamation to designate June 1, 2018, to June 1, 2019, as the Year of the Hawaiian.

Ho'omana Pono, LLC., and several individuals testified in support of this measure. The Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies testified in opposition to this measure.

Your Committees note that there were concerns raised in the written testimony and at the public hearing that certain groups of Hawaiians might feel excluded by the language of this measure. Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

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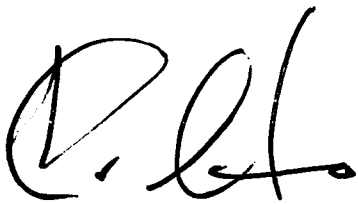


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- (1) Using broader language to embrace a greater number of Hawaiians; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of style and clarity.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs and Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 153, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it be referred to your Committee on Finance, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 153, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs and Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts,



KEN ITO, Chair



KANIELA ING, Chair



