

Honolulu, Hawaii  
**February 9**, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1999  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1999 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAINING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to assist state policy makers in creating policies that respect, perpetuate, and reflect the culture of native Hawaiians by requiring certain state and county decision makers to complete the Office of Hawaiian Affairs training courses on native Hawaiian and Hawaiian rights.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Department of Land and Natural Resources, Hawaiian Affairs Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Ho'omanapono Political Action Committee, Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and a concerned individual supported this measure. The Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies opposed this measure. A Maui County Council Member provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:


- (1) Requiring judges to attend the training course on native Hawaiian and Hawaiian rights administered by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs; and



- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 1999, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1999, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Labor & Public Employment.

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

  
KANIELA ING, Chair



