STAND. COM. REP. NO. **S03** -22

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 29 , 2022

RE: H.R. No. 167

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, to which was referred H.R. No. 167 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ENACT FEDERAL LEGISLATION GRANTING STATEHOOD TO THE PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON, D.C,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the United States Congress to enact federal legislation granting statehood to the people of Washington, D.C.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; Americans for Democratic Action Hawai'i; United Public Workers, AFSCME Local 646, AFL-CIO; and American Civil Liberties Union of Hawai'i.

Your Committee finds that the people of Washington, D.C., share all the responsibilities of United States citizenship, including paying federal taxes, serving on federal juries, and defending the United States as members of the United States Armed Forces. Your Committee further finds that despite having a population larger than two states and equivalent to a third state, the people of Washington, D.C., are denied full representation in Congress. This measure urges members of the United States Congress to give the people of Washington, D.C., the same rights

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of self-governance and citizenship as other taxpaying American citizens by enacting federal legislation granting statehood to Washington, D.C.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 167 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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

CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES, Chair

State of Hawaii



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

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 167 Committee Referral: CAI, JHA Date: 03/23/2022				
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
CAI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
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3. HAR, Sharon E.				
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The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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