

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2896

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 1 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2657
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.B. No. 2657 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MAKAHIKI COMMEMORATION DAY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish Makahiki Commemoration Day.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from ten individuals.

Your Committee finds that Makahiki, a festival dedicated to the god Lono, is a celebration beginning when the star cluster Makali'i rises over Hawaii. Your Committee further finds that the festival is a Hawaiian celebration of the new year, emphasizing harvest, bounty, and peace. This measure will recognize the importance of the Makahiki traditions by commemorating it each year.

Your Committee notes that the Makahiki season spans four consecutive months. Due to Makahiki's dependence upon the star cluster Makali'i's orbit, the beginning of the festival can fall between late October to early November. For this reason, your Committee respectfully requests any subsequent committee to which this measure is referred to deliberate on an appropriate day for Makahiki Commemoration Day to be celebrated.



Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an unspecified date for Makahiki Commemoration Day.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2657, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2657, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation and
Culture and the Arts,

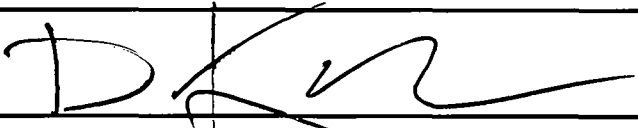


CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Second Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts
TCA

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2657	Committee Referral: TCA	Date: 2/27/24		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R. (VC)				✓
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
AWA, Brenton				✓
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes