

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

297

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 10 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 458
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Culture & Arts, to which was referred H.B.
No. 458 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BROTHER JOSEPH DUTTON DAY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to designate April 27 of every
year as Brother Joseph Dutton Day.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Accounting and General Services; Joseph
Dutton Guild; and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that Brother Joseph Dutton was an
influential figure in helping the residents of Kalaupapa during
the leprosy epidemic. Your Committee finds that Kalaupapa was
established as a settlement to isolate people afflicted with
leprosy. Upon learning of the ongoing efforts of Father Damien to
help the patients of Kalaupapa, Brother Joseph Dutton traveled to
the settlement to assist with the treatment and overall well-being
of afflicted patients, and continued with his efforts for over 40
years. Your Committee further finds that in 1929, the Hawaii
Territorial House of Representatives acknowledged the work of
Brother Joseph Dutton and passed House Resolution No. 7 to thank
him for his service for the people on Molokai. Your Committee
believes that this measure appropriately commemorates his work in

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Kalupapa by designating April 27 of every year as Brother Joseph Dutton Day.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Culture & Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 458, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 458, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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



JEANNE KAVELA, Chair



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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 458	Committee Referral: CAA, JHA	Date: 2/5/25		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
CAA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. KAPELA, Jeanne (C)	/			
2. KONG, Sam Satoru (VC)	/			
3. GARRETT, Andrew Takuya	/			
4. LEE, Mike	/			
5. SAYAMA, Jackson D.	/			
6. REYES ODA, Julie				/
TOTAL (6)	5			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Samuel S. Kong</u>				
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