

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

307

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 10** , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 533  
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 Water & Land, to which was referred H.B.  
No. 533 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PROPERTY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the definition of  
"historic property" under the State's Historic Preservation  
Program to include only property that predates Statehood Day and,  
with respect to buildings and structures, is registered on the  
Hawaii Register of Historic Places.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Grassroot Institute of Hawaii; NAIOP Hawaii; and three  
individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to  
this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources;  
Historic Hawai'i Foundation; and two individuals. Your Committee  
received comments on this measure from the Climate Protectors of  
Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that this measure improves the  
determination of which buildings and structures are considered  
historic property under the State's Historic Preservation Program  
by considering more than merely the age of the structure, object,  
or site.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the definition of "historic property" to mean properties included, or eligible for inclusion, on the National Register of Historic Places or Hawai'i Register of Historic Places, rather than properties that predate Statehood Day;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 533, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 533, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Water & Land,

For   
MARK J. HASHEM, Chair



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Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 533</b>	Committee Referral: <b>WAL, JHA</b>	Date: <b>2/4/2025</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:				
<input 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)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. HASHEM, Mark J. (C)	✓			
2. LAMOSAO, Rachele F. (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
5. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco		✓		
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
7. POEPOE, Mahina		✓		
8. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
9. SHIMIZU, Garner M.		✓		
10. SOUZA, Kanani	✓			
TOTAL (10)	7	3	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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