

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1560

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 25, 2025

RE: H.C.R. No. 163
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.C.R. No. 163 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE FOUNDATION ON
CULTURE AND THE ARTS TO ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL FESTIVAL
CELEBRATING PACIFIC ISLAND CULTURE AND ARTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the State Foundation
on Culture and the Arts, in consultation with other agencies, to
establish an annual festival in Hawaii that celebrates the culture
and arts of the Pacific region.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts and one
individual.

Your Committee finds that the 13th Festival of Pacific Arts
and Culture (FestPAC), hosted by Hawaii for the first time in its
fifty-two-year history in June 2024, attracted more than five
hundred thousand visitors and over two thousand two hundred
delegates from more than twenty-five island nations. Your
Committee believes that events like FestPAC promote trans-Pacific
cooperation and help preserve the strong cultural heritages of
Micronesia, Melanesia, and Polynesia and providing annual
dedicated opportunities to learn about and experience the varied

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cultures and traditions that make up the Pacific region will foster the bonds among these peoples and allow for further understanding, cooperation, and appreciation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by 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 Culture & Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 163, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 163, H.D. 1.

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



JEANNE KAPPLA, Chair



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Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 163	Committee Referral: CAA	Date: 3/19/25		
<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. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Samuel Skay				
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