

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

211

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 2011

RE: S.B. No. 981
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred
S.B. No. 981 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN
AFFAIRS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require members of appropriate state councils, boards, and commissions to undergo training conducted by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs on Native Hawaiian and Hawaiian rights and the source of these rights. The intent of this measure is to assist the council, board, and commission members in understanding how infringement of these rights impacts the native Hawaiian and Hawaiian people.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation, Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. The Department of Land and Natural Resources submitted comments.

Your Committee finds that certain councils, boards, and commissions administer public trust resources and programs that directly impact Native Hawaiian traditional and customary rights, natural resource protection and access rights, and the public trust. However, despite the broad range of expertise and experience of the individuals selected to serve on these councils, boards, and commissions, your Committee finds that many members

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may not possess knowledge of the unique rights and responsibilities that relate to the Native Hawaiian community. The training course, which would incorporate instruction from resource individuals with legal, historical, and cultural expertise, is intended to address this deficiency.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 981, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 981, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

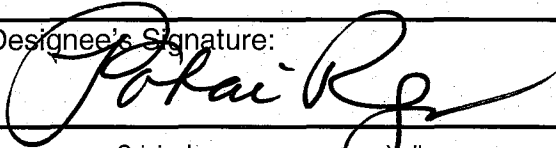


BRICKWOOD GALUTERIA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Sixth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 981	HWN, WAM	2-9-11		
<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
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (C)	✓			
RYAN, Pohai (VC)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				✓
HEE, Clayton				✓
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
SOLOMON, Malama	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	5			3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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