

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

641

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2011

RE: S.B. No. 986

S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 986, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a task force to formulate policies and procedures to eliminate the disparate treatment of all peoples in Hawaii's criminal justice system, with particular focus on native Hawaiians.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee finds that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs released a study in 2010 that concluded that native Hawaiians are disproportionately impacted at every stage of the criminal justice system. Your Committee further finds that this task force will recommend strategies to reduce unnecessary involvement with the criminal justice system.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the Administrator of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs shall be a member of the task force;

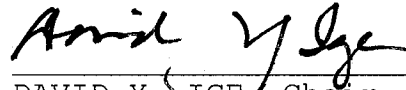
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- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the issue; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 986, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 986, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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SB 986, SD1	HWM, WAM	2-25-11		
<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
IGE, David Y. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KAHELE, Gilbert	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				/
RYAN, Pohai	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	13	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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