

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 97

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 10, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 874  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 874 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Education, in collaboration with stakeholders in the Hawaiian language community, to plan for, develop, and implement appropriate annual assessments in the Hawaiian language for Ka Papahana Kaiapuni students.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, O Hina I Ka Malama, and many individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Education submitted comments.

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

Your Committee notes that this measure currently calls for annual assessments in language arts, mathematics, and science. Should your Committee on Education consider this measure, your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs respectfully requests that your Committee on Education consider whether the scope of the assessments should be broadened and


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whether the current scope is sufficient to accommodate federal requirements now and in the future.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 874, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 874, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Education.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ocean, Marine  
Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs,

  
KANIELA ING, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 874</b>	Committee Referral: <b>OMH, EDN, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/4/15</b>		
<input 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)				
OMH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. <b>ING, Kaniela (C)</b>	✓			
2. <b>LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)</b>	✓			
3. <b>CULLEN, Ty J.K.</b>	✓			
4. <b>EVANS, Cindy</b>	✓			
5. <b>LEE, Chris</b>	✓			
6. <b>NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.</b>	✓			
7. <b>SAY, Calvin K.Y.</b>	✓			
8. <b>YAMANE, Ryan I.</b>	✓			
9. <b>POUHA, Feki</b>	✓			
10. <b>THIELEN, Cynthia</b>	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<b>10</b>			
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 10pt;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Nicole E. Lowen</i></u>				
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