

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 611

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 05 2015

RE: S.B. No. 1363

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 1363 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE INSTRUMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to designate the official 'auana and kahiko musical instruments of the State in accordance with the results of the November 2014 WeVoteHawaii election in an effort to enthusiastically support Hawaii's keiki in voting and the democratic process.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies and three individuals.

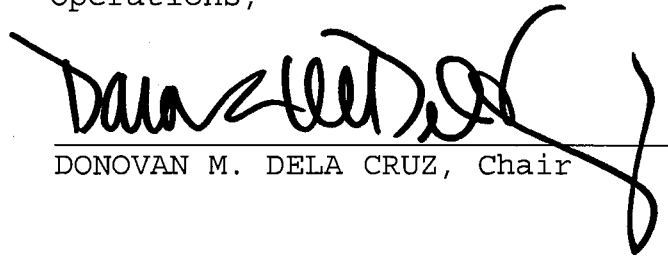
Your Committee finds that the 'ukulele and pahu are vibrant components of Hawaiian culture. The music of Hawaii, as expressed through these instruments, is readily recognizable around the world. The kahiko (traditional) pahu and the 'auana (modern) 'ukulele are well-suited to serve as Hawaii's state instruments.

Your Committee further finds that Hawaii's students recognized the 'ukulele and pahu as representative of Hawaiian culture by voting for them in the WeVoteHawaii online election. WeVoteHawaii is a hands-on civic education opportunity that teaches students about voting and democracy. The movement of this measure, born from the WeVoteHawaii election results, will further instruct students on democracy and the legislative process.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1363 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Government
Operations,



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB1363	GVO	2-26-15		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les				✓
TOKUDA, Jill N.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center;"><i>Clarence K. Nishihara</i></div>				
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