

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1455

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 10 2015

RE: H.B. No. 207  
H.D. 2  
S.D. 2

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 207, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAINING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to enhance public agency understanding regarding protections for native Hawaiian and Hawaiian traditional and customary rights.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to develop and administer a native Hawaiian and Hawaiian rights training course;
- (2) Requires members of various state councils, boards, and commissions to attend the training course; and
- (3) Allows other state or county officials and employees to request their enrollment in the training course.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, State Land Use Commission, Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Association of Hawaii Civic Clubs, Ka Huli Ao Center,



Kua'aina Ulu 'Auamo, and four individuals. Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from the Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii. One individual submitted written comments on this measure.

Your Committee finds that the decisions of individuals appointed to the Land Use Commission, Board of Land and Natural Resources, Commission on Water Resource Management, Environmental Council, Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation, Board of Agriculture, Legacy Land Conservation Commission, Natural Area Reserves System Commission, Hawaii Historic Places Review Board, and Board of Health can impact native Hawaiian and Hawaiian traditional and customary rights. However, appointment to these various state councils, boards, or commissions does not require knowledge of native Hawaiian and Hawaiian rights. This measure will help to ensure that appointed individuals will be educated and aware of native Hawaiian and Hawaiian traditional and customary rights so that their decisions will be consistent with the State's fiduciary obligations in these matters.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

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 H.B. No. 207, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 207, H.D. 2, S.D. 2.

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



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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB207, HD2, SD1	HWN/GVO, WAM	4/1/15		
<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 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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	10	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;"> </div>				
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