

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1103

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 27, 2015

RE: S.B. No. 194
S.D. 2
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 Veterans, Military, & International
Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.B. No.
194, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CULTURAL EXCHANGES BETWEEN
HAWAII AND AFRICAN AMERICANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to recognize the contributions
of African Americans in Hawaii by establishing a temporary Hawaii
Commission on African American History and Culture. The purpose
of the Commission is to further the understanding of African
American history and culture, educate residents and visitors of
its significant impact in Hawaii, and submit annual reports to the
Legislature with recommendations to honor and recognize
contributions of African Americans in Hawaii.

The Honolulu Hawaii NAACP and many concerned individuals
supported this measure. The State Foundation on Culture and the
Arts and a concerned individual supported the intent of this
measure.

This measure has been amended by:

- (1) Placing the Commission within the Department of
Accounting and General Services, instead of within the
State Foundation on Culture and the Arts;

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- (2) Replacing references to "African Americans" with "people of African descent";
- (3) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2015; and
- (4) 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 Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 194, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 194, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Veterans,
Military, & International
Affairs, & Culture and the
Arts,



KEN ITO, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts

Bill/Resolution No.: SB194 SD 2	Committee Referral: VMI, FIN	Date: 3/23/15		
<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)				
VMI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ITO, Ken (C)	✓			
2. TOKIOKA, James Kunane (VC)	✓			
3. BROWER, Tom	✓			
4. CACHOLA, Romy M.	✓			
5. CHOY, Isaac W.				✓
6. DeCOITE, Lynn	✓			
7. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	✓			
8. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
9. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
10. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
11. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
12. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
13. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
14. WARD, Gene				✓
TOTAL (14)	12			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small style="margin-left: 100px;">committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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