

Honolulu, Hawaii
MAR 19 , 2024

RE: S.B. No. 116
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 116, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the issuance of special number plates to commemorate Duke Kahanamoku.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Ikaika Hawai'i Watermans Academy; Hawaiian Lifeguard Association; Hoemana; Outrigger Duke Kahanamoku Foundation; and numerous individuals.

Your Committee finds that Duke Kahanamoku is one of the first internationally recognized Native Hawaiians, known for his contributions as an all-around waterman, a lifeguard and lifesaver, a record-setting swimmer, a five-time Olympic medalist, and Hawaii's original ambassador of aloha. Your Committee therefore finds it appropriate to honor Duke Kahanamoku with a special license plate emblazoned with his name, promoting his legacy of aloha.

Your Committee further finds that Hawaii has the second-highest drowning rate in the nation for residents and that



drowning is the leading cause of death in Hawaii for keiki ages one to fifteen. The issuance of special number plates as proposed by this measure would not only honor Duke Kahanamoku and recognize his legacy of aloha but also generate funds for programs that promote water safety and swim education.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) 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 Culture, Arts, & International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 116, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 116, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



ADRIAN K. TAM, Chair



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

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 116 SDI	Committee Referral: CAI, FIN	Date: 3/15/24		
<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)				
CAI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAM, Adrian K. (C)	X			
2. MARTINEZ, Rose (VC)	X			
3. GARRETT, Andrew Takuya	X			
4. KAPELA, Jeanne	X			
5. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.				X
6. SAYAMA, Jackson D.				X
7. ALCOS III, David	X			
TOTAL (7)	5			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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