Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 47
        S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Transportation and Culture and the Arts and Labor and Technology, to which was referred S.B. No. 47 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE HOLIDAYS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

(1) Designate the day of the second new moon after the winter solstice of each year as the Lunar New Year; and

(2) Establish the Lunar New Year as a state holiday.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from five individuals.

Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Office of Collective Bargaining and Department of Human Resources of the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committees find that currently, the Lunar New Year is not officially a state holiday. Many Asian cultures celebrate the Lunar New Year, and it is an important event for several communities in the State. This measure will acknowledge the importance of multicultural celebrations in Hawaii by establishing the Lunar New Year as a state holiday.

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Accordingly, your Committees have amended this measure by:

(1) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to
     encourage further discussion; and

(2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the
     purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your
Committees on Transportation and Culture and the Arts and Labor
and Technology that are attached to this report, your Committees
are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 47, as
amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the
form attached hereto as S.B. No. 47, S.D. 1, and be referred to
your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Transportation
and Culture and the Arts and
Labor and Technology,

HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair

CHRIS LEE, Chair

Record of Votes
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☐ The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.

If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

☐ Pass, unamended 2312   ☑ Pass, with amendments 2311   ☐ Hold 2310   ☐ Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.				✓
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
TOTAL	4			1

Recommendation:

☑ Adopted   ☐ Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:

(signature)

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AQUINO, Henry J.C. (C)	X			
LEE, Chris (VC)	X			
IHARA, Jr., Les	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt				X
TOTAL	4			1

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