

**HR-142**

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Luna O Na Papa Alakai

House Committee on Judiciary

Pelekikena  
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Wednesday, April 3, 2019  
2:00 pm House Conference Room 325  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

Hope Pekekikena  
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Hope Pelekikena  
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Matthew Gumapac

Re: HR142/HCR155 - URGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIVE HAWAIIAN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A SUI GENERIS LEGAL SYSTEM TO RECOGNIZE AND PROTECT NATIVE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, TRADITIONAL CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS, AND GENETIC RESOURCES.

Puuku  
Denise Kekuna

Kakauolelo Hoopaa  
Sai Furukawa

*Aloha* Chair Chris Lee, Vice-Chair Joy San Buenaventura, and honorable members:

Kakauolelo Hooholo  
Palapala  
Kamuela Werner

The Prince Kūhiō Hawaiian Civic Club **SUPPORTS THE INTENT** of HR142/HCR155. The bill calls for the creation of the Native Hawaiian Intellectual Property Task Force to develop a *sui generis* legal system to recognize and protect Native Hawaiian cultural intellectual property, traditional cultural expressions, and genetic resources by various stakeholders and State agencies. At the 59th Annual Convention of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, the Association passed Resolution 2018-43, urging the State legislature to fund and establish a Native Hawaiian Intellectual property task force to develop a *sui generis* legal system to recognize and protect Native Hawaiian cultural intellectual property, traditional cultural expressions, and genetic resources.

Pelekikena Hala  
Koke  
Yvonne 'PeeWee'  
Ryan

The development of a *sui generis* legislative system in the State of Hawaii could provide recognition of the full range of Native Hawaiian cultural products and expressions, and thus, empower the Native Hawaiian community to have better control of their culture. Moreover, a *sui generis* legislative system is one of the few ways to achieve a just solution to the problems faced by Native Hawaiians given the exploitation of their intellectual property rights by others.

Luna Alakai  
Kuni Agard  
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Thus, the Prince Kūhiō Hawaiian Civic Club respectfully urges the Committee to **PASS** HR142/HCR155.

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*Mahalo nui loa.*

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## THE ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS

Committee on Judiciary

*Pō‘akolu, ‘Apelila 3, 2019*  
*Lumi ‘Aha Kūkā 325*  
*Ke Kapikala Moku ‘āina*  
415 South Beretānia Street

Re: HR142/HCR155 - URGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIVE HAWAIIAN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A SUI GENERIS LEGAL SYSTEM TO RECOGNIZE AND PROTECT NATIVE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, TRADITIONAL CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS, AND GENETIC RESOURCES.

*Aloha Luna Ho ‘omalu* Chris Lee, *Hope Luna Ho ‘omalu* Joy San Buenaventura and members of the House Committee on Judiciary:

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs **SUPPORTS** HR142/HCR155. This measure requests the creation of a Native Hawaiian Intellectual Property Task Force to develop a sui generis legal system to recognize and protect Native Hawaiian cultural intellectual property, traditional cultural expressions, and genetic resources.

At its 59th Annual Convention, the Association passed Resolution 2018-43, URGING THE HAWAI‘I STATE LEGISLATURE TO FUND AND ESTABLISH A NATIVE HAWAIIAN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A SUI GENERIS LEGAL SYSTEM TO RECOGNIZE AND PROTECT NATIVE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, TRADITIONAL CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS, AND GENETIC RESOURCES. The Association would join with other stakeholders and agencies of the state to endeavor to create a *sui generis* legal system that protects Native Hawaiian intellectual property.

Thus, the Association respectfully urges the committee to **PASS** HR142/HCR155.

The Hawaiian Civic Club movement was founded in 1918 by Congressional Delegate Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana‘ole with the creation of the Hawaiian Civic Club; the Association was

formally organized in 1959 and has grown to a confederation of over sixty (60) Hawaiian Civic Clubs located throughout the State of Hawai'i and the United States. The Association is the oldest Hawaiian community-based grassroots organization. The Association is governed by a 16-member Board of Directors; advocates for improved welfare of Native Hawaiians in culture, health, economic development, education, social welfare, and nationhood; and perpetuates and preserves language, history, music, dance and other Native Hawaiian cultural traditions.

*Mahalo* for allowing us to share our *mana* 'o.

*Me ka 'oia 'i 'o,*

Hailama Farden  
*Pelekikena*