STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 11 2006

RE: S.C.R. No. 222 S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Media, Arts, Science, and Technology, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 222 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CREATE A HAWAII STATE HISTORY MUSEUM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage the creation of a Hawaii State History Museum to serve as a central point that will provide a comprehensive perspective on the history of the various people, cultures, and places of Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and a private individual. The Department of Land and Natural Resources submitted comments.

Hawaii residents and visitors should have the opportunity to enrich themselves with the rich cultural and historical heritage that is unique to the State. Although the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum is designated as the State of Hawaii Museum of Natural and Cultural History, Hawaii does not have a central institution that provides a comprehensive perspective on the history of the various people, cultures, and places of Hawaii. A state history museum could serve as a depository for historic property such as photographs, artifacts, and specimens, and objects of natural, botanical, ethnological, architectural, historical, or archaeological value or interest.

Your Committee finds that a Hawaii State History Museum will provide an opportunity to bring the various cultures of Hawaii together through the sharing of collective and individual histories, which will allow for a greater appreciation of cultural similarities and differences. A Hawaii State History Museum will provide economic and cultural benefits for the State and create a legacy for future generations.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the title to request a feasibility report on creating a Hawaii State History Museum;
- (2) Deleting language that requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources to create a Hawaii State History Museum and replacing it with language that requests the Department to consult with the Bishop Museum and the Hawaii Museums Association on the feasibility of creating a state history museum;
- (3) Deleting language that requests the Department to submit a report to the Legislature on the Department's plan for the establishment, implementation, operation, and maintenance of a state history museum and replacing it with language that requests the Department to submit a report on the feasibility of creating this type of museum; and
- (4) Adding the President and the Chief Executive Officer of the Bishop Museum and the President of the Hawaii Museums Association to the list of recipients receiving a certified copy.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Media, Arts, Science, and Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 222, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 222, S.D. 1.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Media, Arts, Science, and Technology,

CAROL FUKUNAGA, C

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

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