

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 996

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 18, 2011

RE: S.B. No. 981
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred
S.B. No. 981, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN
AFFAIRS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect native Hawaiian and
Hawaiian traditional customary rights by requiring:

- (1) Members of certain state councils, boards, and
commissions to undergo training conducted by the Office
of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) on issues related to native
Hawaiian rights; and
- (2) OHA to establish, design, and facilitate a training
course related to native Hawaiian and Hawaiian
traditional and customary rights.

OHA, the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Aha Kiole
Advisory Committee, and Sovereign Councils of the Hawaiian
Homelands Assembly testified in support of this bill. A concerned
individual opposed this measure. The Department of Land and
Natural Resources and Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii
provided comments.

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Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to "upon approval"; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 981, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 981, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,



FAYE HANOMANO, Chair



