STAND. COM. REP. NO. **\( \S22** -12 \)

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5 , 2012

RE: H.R. No. 97

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on International Affairs and Tourism, to which was referred H.R. No. 97 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE INCLUSION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN THE VISA WAIVER PROGRAM,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ease visa restrictions and the visa application approval process for business and tourist travelers from the People's Republic of China by urging the Department of State, Department of Homeland Security, and the Department of Justice to include the People's Republic of China in the Visa Waiver Program.

The Office of Economic Development of the City and County of Honolulu and Hawaii Tourism Authority testified in support of this measure.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on International Affairs and Tourism that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 97 and recommend its adoption.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on International Affairs and Tourism,

TOM BROWER, Chair

KAREN I. AWANA. Chair

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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on International Affairs**

HR 97	Committee Referral:	Date	3/19	/1			
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.							
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)							
INT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused			
1. AWANA, Karen L. (C)							
2. HASHEM, Mark J. (VC)							
3. BROWER, Tom							
4. CHOY, Isaac W.	<b>V</b>						
5. EVANS, Cindy				,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			
6. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.							
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.			-	_			
8. TOKIOKA, James Kunane			****				
9. TSUJI, Clift	V						
10. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.							
11. WARD, Gene							
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The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.    Adopted							
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:							
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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Tourism**

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The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)							
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1. BROWER, Tom (C)	<b>V</b>	<u>.</u>					
2. TOKIOKA, James Kunane (VC)	V						
3. AWANA, Karen L.	V						
4. CHOY, Isaac W.	V						
5. EVANS, Cindy							
6. HASHEM, Mark J.	V		-				
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.							
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	V	_					
9. TSUJI, Clift	V						
10. CHING, Corinne W.L.				V			
11. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	V						
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