

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 25, 2015

RE: S.B. No. 436

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 436 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAINING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

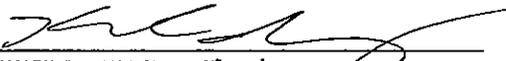
The purpose of this measure is to assist state administrators and decision makers in fulfilling their duty under the Hawaii Constitution and other state laws to protect native Hawaiian traditional and customary rights, natural resources, and access rights and to appropriately manage public trust resources. This measure establishes a training program within the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and requires all newly-appointed members of certain boards, commissions, and councils to complete a training course offered under the program.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Ka Hui Ao Center for Excellence in Native Hawaiian Law of the William S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Land Use Commission, Hawai'i Green Growth, Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club, Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Society for Hawaiian Archeology, Taro Security and Purity Task Force, Kua'aina Ulu 'Auamo, Hawaiian Affairs Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and many individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure. The Land Use Research Foundation and Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies submitted testimony in opposition. The Department of Land and Natural Resources submitted comments.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 436 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ocean, Marine
Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs,



KANIELA ING, Chair



