SB269

| Measure Title: | RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION. | |
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| Report Title: | Historic Preservation; Hawaii State; President Barack Obama; Markers | |
| Description: | Requires the department of land and natural resources to place markers in the State to indicate significant sites in the life of President Barack Obama. | |
| Companion: | | |
| Package: | None | |
| Current Referral: | IAA/WTL, WAM | |
| Introducer(s): | S. CHANG, GREEN, K. RHOADS, Shimabukuro | |

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Testimony of SUZANNE D. CASE Chairperson

Before the Senate Committees on INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS and the ARTS and WATER and LAND

> Tuesday, February 14, 2017 3:15 pm State Capitol, Room 229

In consideration of SENATE BILL 269 RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Senate Bill 269 proposes to direct the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) in the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to place markers at places important in the life of President Barack Obama in the State of Hawai'i. **The Department supports this initiative as long as it does not replace our priorities requested in the Executive Budget.**

Senate Bill 269 assigns responsibility for placing the markers to SHPD, however, SHPD does not have funding to execute the directive set forth in this proposed legislation. Current workload in fulfilling its statutory duties exceeds its financial resources. Therefore, the Department recommends an amendment to provide an appropriation:

After SECTION 2, insert a new SECTION 3 to read as follows:

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and \$25,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for necessary research, design and installation of the markers.

The sums appropriated shall be expended by the state historic preservation division for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION [3] <u>4</u>. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator J. Kalani English, Vice Chair Senator Karl Rhoads, Chair Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair Senator Donovan N. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Committees on IAA, WAL, and WAM

Relating to Historic Preservation

Monday February 13, 2017

In support of S.B. NO 269

Aloha Senators, my name is Isabella Hartline and I am a freshman and the recording secretary at Kalaheo High School. I am in support for Senate Bill #423 and would like you all to vote the same. Barack Obama was, in my opinion, a wonderful president who gave a lot to the American Citizens and Hawai'i especially. In my research, I found that every past president has a least three significant historical landmarks in their name. There is the the Obama Presidential Library being constructed in Chicago, Illinois, but seeing as this is his birthplace, us as a state should commemorate him being our country's leader.

Former President Barack Obama has done so much for the country. He implemented ObamaCare for families and individuals in medical need, increased support for veterans, improved school nutrition with his wife (Michelle), legalized same-sex marriage in every state, and so much more. A big impact he made on Hawai'i was expanding the Papahanaumokuakea Marine National Monument for preservation. This gave way to more coral and sea life being protected and preserved for generations to come. Even so, I found that every president at least had their childhood home's marked historically. This is Obama's home and we should put markings to show his significance to our state.

Though the money will be taken out of the taxpayer's wallet, markers will not cost too much just to show how important he is to the islands. President Obama is a significant figure who should be commemorated and remembered by his home, his ohana.

Thank you for your time and I hope you will support S.B.269.

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| Javier Mendez-Alvarez | Individual | Support | No |

Comments:

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| Richard Davison | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments: I oppose this bill because it is not financially prudent at this time. we have far more important issues that need our money. Thank You

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| Rachel L. Kailianu | Individual | Oppose | Yes |

Comments: Thank you making Possibilities, Possible but you are a man like all others that tried very hard to make positive change.

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