

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1439

Honolulu, Hawaii
MAR 25 , 2021

RE: S.B. No. 697
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 697, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO KALAUPAPA MONTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to designate January of each year as "Kalaupapa Month" to serve as an annual reminder of the importance of Kalaupapa and the significant sacrifices and contributions of its residents throughout the State's history.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health, Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa, IDEA Center for the Voices of Humanity, The Friends of Iolani Palace, Diocese of Honolulu, and twelve individuals.

Your Committee finds that an estimated eight thousand individuals suspected of leprosy were forcibly removed to a colony established on eight hundred acres of land on the Kalaupapa peninsula of Molokai after the passage of the 1865 "Act to Prevent the Spread of Leprosy". Your Committee acknowledges the significance of this measure in recognizing the sacrifices of the residents of Kalaupapa and the enduring legacy of Kalaupapa as part of Hawaii's history.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 697, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.


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



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 697, SDI, HDI	Committee Referral: CAI, JHA, FIN	Date: 3-23-21		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)	✓			
2. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z. (VC)	✓			
3. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
4. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.	✓			
5. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	✓			
6. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
8. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.	✓			
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.				✓
10. TODD, Chris	✓			
11. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
12. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (12)	11	0	0	1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. _____ committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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