

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1775

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 , 2021

RE: S.C.R. No. 241
S.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 Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 241, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND THE PREFECTURE OF YAMAGUCHI, JAPAN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a sister-state relationship between the State of Hawaii and Yamaguchi Prefecture in Japan.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, & Tourism and Japan-America Society of Hawai'i. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Aloha 'Āina Party.

Your Committee finds that the people of Hawaii and Yamaguchi Prefecture share a long history and strong bond, starting with the immigration of more than ten thousand contract laborers to Hawaii between 1885 and 1894 as government-sponsored immigrants, and carried forward to today in the multiple cultural and educational exchanges between the people of Hawaii and Yamaguchi Prefecture. Your Committee further finds that the Hawaii Sister-State Committee has reviewed the Hawaii-Yamaguchi sister-state application and has recommended that a sister-state relationship

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be established between Hawaii and Yamaguchi Prefecture. This measure will begin the formal process of establishing this relationship.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 241, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Culture, Arts, &
International Affairs,



CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>SCR 241 SD1</i>	Committee Referral: <i>CAI, CPC</i>			Date: <i>4/7/21</i>
<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)				
CAI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. GATES, Cedric Asuega (C)	X			
2. LoPRESTI, Matthew S. (VC)	X			
3. HAR, Sharon E.	X			
4. KAPELA, Jeanne	X			
5. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	X			
6. TAM, Adrian K.	X			
7. YAMANE, Ryan I.	X			
8. WARD, Gene	X			
TOTAL (8)	<i>8</i>			
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: <i>Matthew S. LoPresti</i>				
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