

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

108

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 733

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred
S.B. No. 733 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAIIAN CULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the
Office of Hawaiian Affairs to establish and maintain Hawaiian
cultural centers within the State and to appropriate moneys for
the planning and design of the first Hawaiian cultural center.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from one individual. Your Committee received testimony in
opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that culture is the essence of
civilization, and includes all those things that distinguish a
society and people, including language, stories, customs, music,
art, food, protocols, religions, values, traditions, and
celebrations. Your Committee further finds that Native Hawaiians
and their rich and vibrant culture are what continues to make
Hawaii unique and different from other places in the world.
However, Your Committee finds that despite the importance of
Hawaiian culture in the State, there are no public spaces solely
dedicated to the practice and perpetuation of Hawaiian culture.
Therefore, this measure requires the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to
establish and maintain Hawaiian cultural centers within the State



and appropriates moneys for the planning and design of the first Hawaiian cultural center.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 733 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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



MAILE S.L. SHIMABUKURO, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs
HWN

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 733	Committee Referral: HWN, WAM	Date: 02/02/2023		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (C)	/			/
FEVELLA, Kurt (VC)				/
IHARA, Jr., Les	/			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett		/		
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"	/			
TOTAL	3	1	—	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes