

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3493

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 2024

RE: S.R. No. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.R. No. 1 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE DAY OF THE SECOND NEW MOON AFTER THE WINTER SOLSTICE OF EVERY YEAR AS THE LUNAR NEW YEAR IN THE STATE OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to recognize the day of the second new moon after the winter solstice of every year as the Lunar New Year in the State.

Your Committee received no testimony on this measure.

Your Committee finds that the Lunar New Year is joyously observed by numerous residents in the State and is celebrated by more than two-thirds of Chinese, Korean, Japanese, and Vietnamese Americans in general. Your Committee further finds that the United States House of Representatives introduced resolutions recognizing the cultural and historical significance of the Lunar New Year in 2021 and 2023; California recognized the Lunar New Year as a state holiday in 2022; and New York recognized the Lunar New Year as a public school holiday in 2023. Your Committee concludes that recognizing the Lunar New Year in Hawaii honors the State's rich cultural history, demonstrates its commitment to cultural diversity, and extends best wishes for peace and prosperity to all who celebrate this important occasion.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 1 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation and
Culture and the Arts,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts
TCA

Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 1	Committee Referral: TCA	Date: 3/28/24		
<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
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			✓
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)				✓
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
AWA, Brenton				✓
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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