STAND. COM. REP. NO. **252** -24

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 12 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2715 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2715 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the issuance of special number plates to recognize and honor Malama Puuloa.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Hui o Ho'ohonua; Ali'i Pauahi Hawaiian Civic Club; and six individuals.

Your Committee finds that Keawalau o Puuloa, near present-day Honouliuli, is one of the first and oldest settlements on the island of Oahu. Puuloa was an abundant water resource with traditional Hawaiian fishponds and taro patches. Now, Puuloa's aquatic resources have been exposed and contaminated with mercury, polychlorinated biphenyls, dioxins, pesticides, microplastics, lead, and other harmful chemicals and materials. Your Committee finds it appropriate to honor Malama Puuloa with a special license plate to promote its environmentalism and perpetuation of Native Hawaiian culture.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Replacing certain references from Malama Puuloa to Hui O Ho'ohonua to reflect the registered name of the organization operating the Malama Puuloa efforts;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2715, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2715, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

ADRIAN K. TAM, Chair

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

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2715	CAI FIN	Date	2/7/2	+
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
CAI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAM, Adrian K. (C)	/			
2. MARTINEZ, Rose (VC)				
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The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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