

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1736

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 31, 2025

RE: S.B. No. 1051  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 1051, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HISTORY MONTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to designate the month of September as Hawaiian History Month.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Queen Emma Hawaiian Civic Club; Hawai'i Pono'i Foundation; Papa Ola Lōkahi; Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs; Ohana Unity Party; and three individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies.

Your Committee finds that the month of September holds deep cultural significance as a time to honor Queen Lili'uokalani's legacy through various community gatherings, including those organized by Kawaiaha'o Church, the Lili'uokalani Trust, and Kamehameha Schools. Establishing September as Hawaiian History Month would create a dedicated time for cultural recognition, educational initiatives, and community engagement centered on the State's unique heritage, ensuring greater awareness of Hawaii's history and the legacy of its last reigning monarch.

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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. 1051, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



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DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair

State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Thirty-third Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: SB1051 (D) HD1	Committee Referral: CAA, JHA	Date: 03/20/2025		
<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. TARNAS, David A. (C)	✓			
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. COCHRAN, Elle				✓
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				✓
6. KAHALOA, Kirstin	✓			
7. PERRUSO, Amy A.	✓			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	✓			
9. TODD, Chris	✓			
10. GARCIA, Diamond	✓			
11. SHIMIZU, Garner M.	✓			
TOTAL (11)	9	0	0	2
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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