STAND. COM. REP. NO. 205

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 624 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 624 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRINCE JONAH KUHIO KALANIANAOLE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require certain public buildings near mass transit projects and on Hawaiian home lands to display portraits of Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalanianaole.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Lahaina Hawaiian Civic Club, Wai'anae Coast Community Foundation, and two individuals.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalanianaole spearheaded the passage of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended, and was responsible for instituting the county system still in place today. As a statesman, Prince Kuhio shaped the foundation for the State's modern government structure. Accordingly, your Committee finds that it is appropriate to honor Prince Kuhio through the display of his portraits.

Your Committee notes the discussion held with the community during the public hearing on this measure and requests that the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands procure an official portrait of Prince Kuhio. Your Committee finds that it is appropriate to allow the Hawaiian community to provide feedback regarding which portrait of Prince Kuhio is most representative of his image and that the chosen artwork become the official portrait of the prince.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 624, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 624, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

HERBERT RICHARDS/ Chair

The Senate Thirty-Third Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

Record of Votes Committee on Hawaiian Affairs HWN

	Committee Referral: Date:				
SB624 HWN, WAM 1/28/25					
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim" (C)					
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (VC)					
IHARA, Jr., Les					
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett					
DECORTE, Samantha					
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Recommendation:					
Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
Service of the					
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