

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3552**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 2026

RE: S.C.R. No. 163
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 163 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE LEGISLATURE'S COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATE AS A MEMBER LEGISLATURE IN THE PACIFIC INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to reaffirm the Legislature's commitment to participate as a member legislature in the Pacific Inter-Parliamentary Assembly.

Your Committee did not receive any testimony on this measure.

Your Committee finds that the State has participated in the Pacific Islands Parliamentary Group since its founding year of 2019, facilitating legislative collaboration and supporting democratic institutions throughout Oceania. In 2025, the Pacific Islands Parliamentary Group established a successor organization by the name of Pacific Inter-Parliamentary Group to expand and formalize its structure and operations, and for the State to continue participating in the new organization, the Legislature must formally reaffirm their membership. This measure will sustain regional cooperation, legislative dialogue, and the commitment to elevate the voices and priorities of Pacific communities.



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 Water, Land, Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 163, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 163, S.D. 1.

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

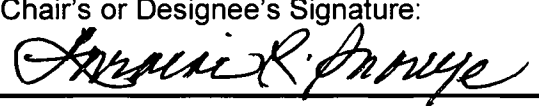


CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Third Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts
WLA

Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR 163	Committee Referral: WLA	Date: 3/30/2026		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" 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)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley				✓
LAMOSAO, Rachele	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
TOTAL	4			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