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H.B. NO. 2173-86

A Bill for an Act Relating to Emblems and Symbols.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The legislature finds and declares that the sport of outrigger canoe paddling has significant historical and cultural importance and its survival and expansion over the years is a credit to the hundreds of individuals who have contributed in time, money, and energies to perpetuate and inspire its continuance.

The legislature also finds and declares that while this recognition is only symbolic in nature and does not have a binding effect on the budget and operations of state government, designating outrigger canoe paddling as an important Hawaiian tradition will encourage cooperative efforts to preserve this proud legacy.

The purpose of this Act is to designate outrigger canoe paddling as the official state team sport of Hawaii.

SECTION 2. Chapter 5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§5- State team sport. Outrigger canoe paddling is adopted, established, and designated as the official team sport of the State, to be effective for as long as the legislature of the State does not otherwise provide."

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 27, 1986.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.