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## **REPORT CARD MARKS**

**A** = Voted pro-Hawaiian **C** = Voted against the interests of Hawaiians with reservations.

**F** = Voted against the interest of Hawaiians.

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# **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

#### HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS | SUPPORT HB451 • PASSED

Reduces the minimum Hawaiian blood quantum requirement of certain successors to lessees of Hawaiian Home Lands from 1/4 to 1/32 to ensure that lands remain in Kanaka Maoli families for generations to come. With over 20,000 applicants on the list waiting to receive land awards, the lowering of blood quantum should only be used for successors who are related to Hawaiian Home Lands lessees. The State Legislature should work to ensure that the needs of native Hawaiian beneficiaries are addressed in a timely manner by properly funding DHHL.

#### **OHA TRUSTEE SELECTION** | OPPOSE SCR85 • FAILED

Requests OHA convene a task force of Hawaiian leaders, legal scholars, and a broad representation of members of the Hawaiian community to review and consider whether its fiduciary duty to better the conditions of Hawaiians and manage its resources to meet the needs of Hawaiian beneficiaries would be better served by having trustees appointed rather than elected. This resolution urges the further disenfranchisement of the Kanaka Maoli people by taking away their right to vote for OHA Trustees who control a \$600 million dollar public trust and 28,219 acres of valuable Hawai'i lands that include sacred and conservation sites on behalf of Kanaka Maoli. Note: Although SCR85 failed, another version of this same measure SR33 passed in the Senate.

#### CRIMINAL TRESPASS | OPPOSE SB895 • PASSED

Establishes the offense of criminal trespass onto state lands and amends the offense of criminal trespass in the second degree to apply to government agricultural property regardless of whether it is fenced, enclosed, or otherwise secured. Article XII, Section 7 of the State Constitution reaffirms Kanaka Maoli rights to access lands for traditional, customary, and subsistence purposes. Although the final version of the bill includes language that these criminal trespass offenses doesn't affect native Hawaiian traditional and customary rights, the burden of asserting these rights and defending against a criminal trespass rests upon Kanaka Maoli.

#### SELECTIVE SERVICE | OPPOSE SB419 • FAILED

Requires compliance with the Military Selective Service Act to be eligible for enrollment in a state-supported post-secondary institution, qualify for state financial assistance for post-secondary education, or be eligible for state or county employment or service. It is already a Federal requirement for all men ages 18 to 26 to sign up for the Military Selective Service, there is no need for the State to duplicate this. This measure had the potential to adversely impact all male youth in Hawai'i including our own Hawaiian 'opio.

#### KAHO'OLAWE | OPPOSE HB622 • FAILED

Authorizes the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) Chairperson to transfer public land trust funds to the Kaho'olawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund. Authorizes the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to expend public land trust funds for purposes consistent with those of the Kaho'olawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund. The proposal to utilize public land trust funds for the US military's failure to clean up Kaho'olawe directly contradicts the intended purpose of the trust funds and could be determined to be a breach of trust.

### QUIET TITLE OF KULEANA LAND | SUPPORT HB860 • FAILED

Provides that where a quiet title action involves kuleana land, at the request of the kuleana owner, the court shall order mandatory mediation or consolidation of separate actions, respectively; specifies that the kuleana owner's access to the kuleana land for native Hawaiian cultural and traditional practices shall not be extinguished or alienated; and stipulates that the party bringing the action against the kuleana owner shall not recover cost, expenses, or attorney's fees. This bill attempted to strengthen the rights of the Kuleana owners and make it harder and less desirable for corporations and foreigners to initiate a quiet title action against a Kuleana owner.

#### HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION | SUPPORT HR16 • PASSED

Urging private schools in Hawai'i to consider offering or continue offering Hawaiian language instruction as an option or an elective in their academic curriculum. Hawaiian Language is the first language of the Hawaiian archipelago and has been an official language of the State of Hawai'i for nearly 40 years. It is a travesty that of the 107 private schools in Hawai'i the majority of them fail to offer Hawaiian language instruction or curriculum despite many free resources and learning aids readily available.



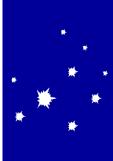
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REPRESENTATIVE	DISTRICT	Hawaiian Homelands HB451 CD1 • PASSED	OHA Trustee Study scr85 • FAILED	Criminal Trespass SB895 CD1 • PASSED	Selective Service SB419 HD1 • FAILED	Kahoolawe HB622 HD1 • FAILED	Quiet Title HB860 HD1 • FAILED	Hawaiian Language HR16 HD1 • PASSED
HENRY AQUINO	Wainahu	A A		F	S S	<b>F</b> *	æ ≡ A	N/A
DELLA AU BELATTI	Waipahu Papakōlea, McCully	A	F	F	F	F	A	A A
TOM BROWER	Waikīkī, Ala Moana	A	F	F	F	F	A	A
ROMY CACHOLA	Kalihi, Sand Island	A	F	F	F	F	A	A
ISAAC CHOY	Mānoa, University	A	F	F	F	F	A	A
RICHARD CREAGAN	Na`alehu, Kailua-Kona	A*	F	F	F	F	A	A
TY CULLEN	Royal Kunia, Village Park	A	F	F	F	F*	A	A
LYNN DECOITE	Moloka`i, Lāna`i, Hāna	A*	F	A	F	F*	A	A
CINDY EVANS	North Kona, Kohala	A*	F	F	F	F	A	A
BETH FUKUMOTO CHANG	Mililani	A	F	F	F	F	A	Α
CEDRIC GATES	Wai`anae, Mākaha	A*	F	C	F	F	A	A
SHARON HAR	Kapolei, Makakilo	А	N/A	F	F	F	С	А
MARK HASHEM	`Āina Haina, Kuliouou	A*	F	F	F	F	A	A
DANIEL HOLT	Chinatown, Palama	А	F	F	F	F	А	А
LINDA ICHIYAMA	Salt Lake, Aliamanu	N/A*	F	F	N/A	N/A	А	А
KANIELA ING	Kīhei	A*	F	А	F	F	A*	А
KEN ITO	Kāne`ohe, Maunawili	Α	F	F	F	F*	А	А
AARON LING JOHANSON	Moanalua, `Aiea	Α	F	F	F	F	А	А
JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE	Kahalu`u, Waiāhole	A*	F	F	F	F	A*	А
BERTRAND KOBAYASHI	Kahala, Kaimukī	Α	N/A	F	F	F	А	А
SAM KONG	`Aiea	A*	F	F	F	F	А	A
CHRIS LEE	Kailua, Waimānalo	A	N/A	F	F	F	А	A
MATTHEW LOPRESTI	`Ewa Beach, Ocean Pointe	C	F	C	С	F	А	A
NICOLE LOWEN	Hōlualoa, Honokōhau	А	F	A	F	F	А	А
SYLVIA LUKE	Makīkī, Nu`uanu, Pauoa	A	F	F	F	F	А	А
LAUREN MATSUMOTO	Waialua, Kunia	А	F	F	F	F	А	А
BOB MCDERMOTT	`Ewa Gentry	A	F	F	F	N/A	А	A
ANGUS MCKELVEY	West Maui	А	N/A	A	N/A	F*	А	A
JOHN MIZUNO	Kalihi Valley	A	F	F	F	F	A	A
DEE MORIKAWA	Kōloa, Waimea, Ni`ihau	A*	F	F	F	F	А	А
NADINE NAKAMURA	Anahola, Hanalei, Kapa`a	A	F	F	F	С	С	A
MARK NAKASHIMA	Hilo, Hāmākua	А	F	F	F	F	А	N/A
SCOTT NISHIMOTO	Kapahulu, Mō`ili`ili	A	F	F	F	F	А	A
TAKASHI OHNO	Liliha, Alewa Heights	A	F	F	F	F	А	A*
RICHARD ONISHI	Hilo, Keaau, Volcano	A	F	F	F	F	А	N/A
MARCUS OSHIRO	Wahiawa	А	N/A	F	N/A	F	А	N/A
SEAN QUINLAN	Hale`iwa, Kahuku, Lā`ie	A	F	F	F	F	А	A
SCOTT SAIKI	Downtown, Kaka`ako	А	F	F	F	F	A*	A
JOY SAN BUENAVENTURA	Puna	A*	F	A	F	F	A	A
CALVIN SAY	Palolo, Kaimukī	Α	F	F	F	F	А	N/A
JOSEPH SOUKI	Wailuku, Waikapu	A	N/A	F	N/A	F*	A*	A
GREGG TAKAYAMA	Pearl City, Waimalu	A	F	F	F	F	A	A
	Pearl City, Waipi`o	A	F	F	F	F	A	A
CYNTHIA THIELEN	Kailua, Kāne`ohe Bay	C	F	A	C	F	A	N/A
CHRISTODD	Keaukaha, Pana`ewa	A	F	F	F	F	A	N/A
JAMES KUNANE TOKIOKA	Līhu`e, Hanamā`ulu	A*	F	C	F	F	C	A
ANDRIA TUPOLA	Nānākuli, Mā`ili	A*	C	A	F	C	A	A
	Hawai`i Kai	A	A	F	F	A	A	A
JUSTIN WOODSON	Kahului, Pu`unēnē	A*	F	F	F	F F*	А	A A
RYAN YAMANE	Mililani, Waipi`o Gentry	A	F		F		A	

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ROSALYN BAKER	South and West Maui	А	F	F	F
STANLEY CHANG	Hawai`i Kai, `Āina Haina	А	F	F	F
DONAVAN DELA CRUZ	Mililani Mauka, Wahiawa	А	F	F	F
J. KALANI ENGLISH	Hāna, Moloka`i, Lana`ī	А	F	F	F
WILL ESPERO	`Ewa Beach	А	F	F	A
MIKE GABBARD	Kapolei, Makakilo	А	F	F	F
<b>BRICKWOOD GALUTERIA</b>	Kaka`ako, McCully, Waikīkī	А	F*	F	F
JOSH GREEN	Kona, Kā`ū	А	F	А	F
BREENE HARIMOTO	Pearl City, `Aiea, Hālawa	А	F*	F	F
LES IHARA, JR.	Kaimukī, Palolo, Mō`ili`ili	А	F	С	F
LORRAINE INOUYE	Hāmākua, Waimea	А	F	F	F
KAIALII KAHELE	Hilo	А	F*	А	F*
GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN	Wailuku, Kahului	А	F	F	F*
MICHELLE KIDANI	Mililani, Waikele	А	F	F	F
DONNA MERCADO KIM	Kalihi Valley, Moanalua	А	F*	F	F
RONALD KOUCHI	Kaua`i, Ni`ihau	А	F	F	F
CLARENCE NISHIHARA	Waipahu, Pearl City	А	F*	F	F*
KARL RHOADS	Liliha, Kalihi, Nu`uanu	А	F	F	F
GIL RIVIERE	Ka`a`awa, Kahuku, Lā`ie	А	F*	F	F
RUSSELL RUDERMAN	Puna, Kā`ū	А	F	А	F
MAILE SHIMABUKURO	Nānākuli, Wai`anae	А	F*	F	F
BRIAN TANIGUCHI	Mānoa, Makīkī, Papakōlea	А	F	С	А
LAURA THIELEN	Kailua, Waiāmanalo	С	F	А	А
JILL TOKUDA	Kāne`ohe, He`eia	А	F	F	F
GLENN WAKAI	Kalihi, Salt Lake	А	F*	F	F

## **House Resolution 16 passes** in support of 'Ōlelo Hawai'i

Ka Lāhui Hawai'i Political Action Committee (KPAC) member, Rebekah Luke, drafted House Resolution (HR)16, a Resolution that urges Hawaii's private schools to offer or continue to offer Hawaiian language instruction as an option or elective in their academic curriculum. After hundreds of community testimonies in support were submitted (including strong testimony from the Hawai'i Association of Independent Schools), the State House of Representatives unanimously passed HR16 - copies of which were sent to all 107 private schools currently operating in Hawai'i. Hopefully, this will send a strong message to Hawai'i's private schools the majority of which fail to offer Hawaiian language instruction or curriculum despite many free resources and learning aids readily available.

House Resolution 16 and House Concurrent Resolution 37 were introduced by Representative Takashi Ohno of the House Education Committee. The Senate versions, Resolution 13 and Senate Concurrent Resolution 49, were introduced by Senator Maile Shimabukuro of the Senate Hawaiian Affairs Committee but the Senate version failed to pass in the 2017 session. However, since 2017 was the first of a biennium year at the State Legislature, there is a possibility of reviving this Senate measure in 2018.

KPAC believes HR16 is a first step in raising the status of the native language of the Hawaiian Archipelago, in providing job opportunities for a growing number graduates with college degrees in Hawaiian, and most importantly raising the overall wellbeing of the Hawaiian people.