CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REP. NO. 144-12

Honolulu, Hawaii
, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2806
H.D. 2
S.D. 2
C.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2806, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to facilitate the preservation and protection of Hawaiian culture, native Hawaiian burial sites, and the State's environment. Specifically, the measure:

(1) Establishes the Aha Moku Advisory Committee within the Department of Land and Natural Resources to advise the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources;

(2) Appropriates an unspecified sum for fiscal year 2012-2013 for the administrative costs related to carrying out the duties of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee; and
(3) Establishes a reduced quorum requirement for island burial council meetings.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

(1) Deleting provisions relating to the reduced quorum requirement for island burial council meetings;

(2) Authorizing the Aha Moku Advisory Committee executive director to hire an administrative or executive assistant to assist the executive director in accomplishing the purposes of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee;

(3) Inserting a figure of $76,500 as the appropriation for administrative costs related to carrying out the duties of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee; and

(4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2806, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2806, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

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ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

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