STAND. COM. REP. NO. 412 -24

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2515 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 2515 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the types of events that constitute disasters and emergencies for the purposes of emergency management.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Grassroot Institute of Hawaii and five individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency.

Your Committee finds that this measure seeks to limit the over-expansion of executive power via emergency proclamations and ensure emergency proclamations are used judiciously.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2515, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second

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Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2515, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water & Land,

FOR LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair

## State of Hawaii

House of Representatives
The Thirty-second Legislature

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Date:	2-1012	1
HB2515	WALIFIN		2/9/2	4
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)	✓			
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2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)	✓			
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3. CHUN, Cory M.	✓ ✓			
4. GANADEN, Sonny				
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓ ✓ · · · ·			
6. MIZUNO, May Besario	<b>✓</b>			
7. MORIKAWA, Dee	<b>1</b>			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
9. SOUZA, Kanani	V			
TOTAL (9)	8	0	0	
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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