

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2563
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2563, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Hawaii Tourism Authority to develop and publish, through a contract with a third party, a mobile application that includes all online application processes and fee collections for reservations to conduct regulated recreational and commercial activities;
- (2) Establish the Tourism Enterprise Fund;
- (3) Require the Hawaii Tourism Authority to issue a request for proposals to contract for the development and publishing of the mobile application; and
- (4) Appropriate funds.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i Tourism Authority and Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure



from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the number of mobile application manager positions to an unspecified number; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2563, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2563, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



