

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 754
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 754 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources' State Historic Preservation Division for a library digitization process and for the Division's operations.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Historic Hawai'i Foundation, Society for Hawaiian Archaeology, and five individuals.

Your Committee finds that digitization of historic preservation records, including paper reports, maps, inventories, determinations and correspondence, and other materials is needed to make records available for staff and public researchers. A comprehensive, digitally based and integrated data management system will assist the Department of Land and Natural Resources with more efficient management of its cases, provide better information and service to the public, support preservation

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projects, and assist the Department in complying with provisions of the federal Historic Preservation Grant to the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to June 30, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

Your Committee respectfully requests your Committee on Finance, should it deliberate on this measure, to consider an appropriation amount of:

- (1) \$800,000 for a library digitization process for the State Historic Preservation Division; and
- (2) \$450,000 for fiscal year 2023-2024 and \$650,000 for fiscal year 2024-2025 for the operations of the State Historic Preservation Division.

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. 754, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 754, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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


LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair



