

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 16**, 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1940  
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 Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1940 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds out of the Works of Art Special Fund to enable the incorporation of works of art projects into the major capital improvement projects that have been planned or are being planned.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts; King Kamehameha Celebration Commission; one member of the Hawaii County Council; Hawai'i Cigar; Hula Preservation Society; Hawaii Arts Alliance; Maui Arts & Cultural Center; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts is unable to address the rising demands for culture and arts programs and services because the Works of Art Special Fund expenditure ceiling remains static despite an increase in revenues to the Fund. This measure would increase the ceiling to \$9,000,000 annually.



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 Culture, Arts, & International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1940, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1940, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Culture, Arts, &  
International Affairs,



---

ADRIAN K. TAM, Chair



