

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 29 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1953
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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1953, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require and appropriate funds for the Judicial Council to conduct a comprehensive review of the Hawaii Penal Code, recommend proposed changes, and appoint an advisory committee to assist in the review.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; Office of the Public Defender; and Community Alliance on Prisons. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Judiciary.

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. 1953, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



