

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 13, 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2340
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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2340 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to satisfy several claims against the State, its officers, or its employees.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Attorney General; Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; and Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that the Department of the Attorney General testified that it has advised its client agencies on how to avoid claims such as those included in this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Appropriating:
 - (A) \$70,468.07 in general funds for a judgment in the case of Smith and Wesson v. Hawaii State Department of the Attorney General; and



- (B) \$60,000.00 in general funds for a settlement in the case of Kevin A. Lifoifoi v. State of Hawaii, Department of Public Safety;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2340, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2340, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



