

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1841

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 04 2025

RE: H.B. No. 400  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 400, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate moneys for the Judiciary for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Judiciary, Department of Education, The Legal Clinic, Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Hawaii State Bar Association, Volunteer Legal Services Hawaii, and one individual.



This measure, as introduced, makes the following appropriations:

<b>Operating</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b>
General funds	\$203,319,009	\$203,391,600
All means of financing	\$216,164,762	\$216,237,353
<b>Capital Improvements</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b>
General obligation bond funds	\$9,900,000	\$0
All means of financing	\$9,900,000	\$0

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying operating and capital improvement project amounts;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

This measure, as amended, makes the following appropriations:

<b>Operating</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b>
General funds	\$198,782,736	\$198,855,327
All means of financing	\$211,628,489	\$211,701,080
<b>Capital Improvements</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b>
General obligation bond funds	\$12,900,000	\$0
All means of financing	\$12,900,000	\$0

Your Committee finds that this measure, as amended, provides sufficient funding for the Judiciary for the approaching fiscal biennium.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 400, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 400, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB 400 HDI SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>JDC, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/31/2025</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>				
<b>Members</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Aye (WR)</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Excused</b>
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted           <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted         </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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