STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1257

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 792 H.D. 1 S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred H.B. No. 792, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify the Office of the Legislative Analyst.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii is the only state in the nation without an independent office or process for creating fiscal notes, informed estimates of the potential fiscal impact of a bill. While the Office of the Legislative Analyst was established in 1990 to serve this critical function, it was never funded or staffed. This measure clarifies the Office of the Legislative Analyst to facilitate its future implementation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of January 1, 2491, to encourage further discussion.

Your Committee notes that the Office of the Legislative Analyst has not been functional in the thirty-five years since it



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was established. Your Committee finds that this issue raises concerns that merit further consideration and respectfully requests that future Committees to which this measure is referred examine whether the Office of the Legislative Analyst is still necessary.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 792, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 792, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Government Operations,

L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



The Senate Thirty-Third Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
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