STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2150

Honolulu, Hawaii

FCb. 16

, 2006

RE:

S.B. No. 2798

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 2798 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the state fire council to employ an administrator and an administrative assistant, and to specify the duties of the administrator.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR).

Section 132-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, establishes the state fire council, which consists of the fire chiefs of the counties. The functions of the state fire council are to adopt the state fire code, and to coordinate applications to the federal government for federal grant assistance for fire-related projects and to administer those grants. The state fire council also undertakes a myriad of other fire-prevention duties, including fire inspection and prevention.

Current law does not provide for an administrator for the state fire council. Your Committee finds that an administrator is needed to assist the council with its operations to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the council.

Your Committee has requested the DLIR to provide the specific dollar amount necessary for this appropriation.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2798 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Transportation and Government Operations,

## The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

## Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation and Government Operations (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* SB 2798	Committee Referral:		Date:	Date: 2/6 /06	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is to:					
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