

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 302
H.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 302, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE AUDITOR, THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU, AND THE OMBUDSMAN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to provide for the expenses of the Legislature and its service agencies.

More specifically, this measure provides for the expenses of the Legislature, Office of the Auditor, Hawaii State Ethics Commission, Office of the Ombudsman, Legislative Reference Bureau, and the legislative broadcast program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Senate Clerk, the Office of the Auditor, the Legislative Reference Bureau, the Hawaii State Ethics Commission, the Ombudsman, and one concerned individual.

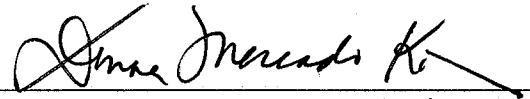
Your Committee finds that the reductions made in House Draft 1 by the House of Representatives to the operating budgets of the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Auditor, and the Legislative Reference Bureau were made with the full concurrence of the Senate and represent the Legislature's commitment to facing the State's dire economic outlook during the next fiscal biennium.



This measure, as amended, represents a reduction of \$2,238,268 in the 2009-2010 budget for the legislative branch as compared to 2008-2009, and includes a \$1,735,679 reduction in the Legislature's proposed budget. Your Committee is very cognizant of the necessity of such cuts and will continue in the next few months to make responsible and difficult budgetary decisions in order to balance the state budget.

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. 302, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB302 HD1	Committee Referral: WAM	Date: 02-10-09		
<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-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input 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>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HEE, Clayton				/
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
TOTAL	10	0	0	2
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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