STAND. COM. REP. NO. 164

Honolulu, Hawaii

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, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 332

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 332 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY," begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to further assist Hawaii's tourism industry by authorizing the Hawaii Tourism Authority to enter into grant agreements for the development of visitor industry products and programs, including cultural programs, community-based tourism activities, such as festivals and events, environmental projects and other appropriate activities.

While exempting the grants from the requirements of Hawaii's grants and subsidies law, this measure provides grant making safeguards, including grant application criteria and review and performance monitoring requirements.

The Hawaii Tourism Authority and a concerned individual supported this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Defining the term "grant";
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, to promote further discussion; and

(3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 332, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 332, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

HB332	TOU, FIN	Date	: 2/21/13	
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
3. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (VC)				
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
6. ING, Kaniela				
7. JORDAN, Jo		***		
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
9. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
10. MORIKAWA, Dee				
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
12. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
14. WOODSON, Justin H.				
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
16. FUKUMOTO, Beth		-		
17. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (17)				
The recommendation is: Adopted " Not Adopted				
/ If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature				
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