

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2720

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2720 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for the expenses of the Legislature, the Office of the Auditor, the Legislative Reference Bureau, the Office of the Ombudsman, and the Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of the Auditor, the Office of the Ombudsman, and the Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Legislative Reference Bureau.

Your Committee finds that this measure appropriates sufficient funds to defray necessary expenses of the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Office of the Auditor, the Legislative Reference Bureau, the Office of the Ombudsman, and the Hawaii State Ethics Commission for fiscal year 2016-2017. The measure includes a general fund appropriation of \$32,976,505 to defray the following necessary expenses:

- (1) \$8,878,376 to the Senate;
- (2) \$12,130,374 to the House of Representatives;



- (3) \$2,978,549 to the Office of the Auditor;
- (4) \$2,800,000 to the Audit Revolving Fund;
- (5) \$3,463,419 to the Legislative Reference Bureau;
- (6) \$1,216,970 to the Office of the Ombudsman; and
- (7) \$1,009,695 to the Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

The measure also provides funding to the respective houses of the Legislature and legislative service agencies to defray accrued vacation and vacation transfer costs and requires that these moneys be used as the primary funding source to pay for such costs when an employee separates from service with the respective house of the Legislature or legislative service agency. The measure appropriates the following amounts to defray accrued vacation and vacation transfer costs:

- (1) \$150,000 to the Senate;
- (2) \$224,524 to the House of Representatives;
- (3) \$45,825 to the Office of the Auditor;
- (4) \$50,153 to the Legislative Reference Bureau;
- (5) \$11,662 to the Office of the Ombudsman; and
- (6) \$16,958 to the Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

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. 2720, 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,

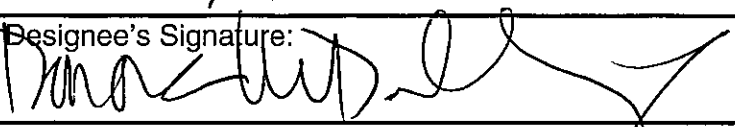


JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">HB 2720</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">WAM</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">2/10/16</div>		
<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 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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				/
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene	/			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	/			/
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	9			2
Recommendation: <div style="display: inline-block; margin-left: 20px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted </div> <div style="display: inline-block; margin-left: 100px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; margin-left: 20px;">  </div>				
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