Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2849
        S.D. 1
        H.D. 1
        C.D. 1

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

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

    Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the
Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in
S.B. No. 2849, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

    "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ESCROW DEPOSITORIES,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to
recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final
passage of this bill in an amended form.

    The purpose of this measure is to clarify the State's escrow
depositories law by: adding definitions; authorizing the
Commissioner of Financial Institutions to use NMLS for its escrow
depositories program; adding criminal history record check and
disclosure requirements to licensure and change in control
applications; updating the escrow depository license renewal date
for consistency with NMLS; clarifying sale or transfer of license or
change in control requirements; and updating certain fees.

    Your Committee on Conference finds that this measure
streamlines the escrow depository licensing process by authorizing
the Commissioner of Financial Institutions to use NMLS, a nationwide

online licensing and registration system for state-licensed providers of financial services. This measure also requires litigation disclosure and criminal history record checks for initial escrow depository license applicants, which will enhance protection of consumer funds and transactions involving escrow depositories, and makes other amendments to the escrow depositories law for clarity and to support licensee compliance.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

(1) Changing its effective date to upon its approval; and

(2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2849, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2849, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

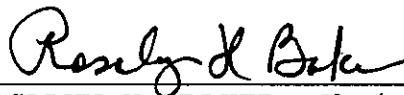Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

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ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Co-Chair

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KARL RHOADS, Co-Chair

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SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Co-Chair

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

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ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

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GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Co-Chair

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GIL RIVIERE, Co-Chair

Hawaii State Legislature

Record of Votes of a
Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: **SB 2849, SD 1, HD 1**	Date/Time: 4/29/16 10:42 AM

☑ The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

❑ The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

| ❑ The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure | ❑ The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure. |

Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
BAKER, Rosalyn H., Chr.	✓				MCKELVEY, Angus L.K., Co-Chr.	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C., Co-Chr.	✓				RHOADS, Karl, Co-Chr.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil, Co-Chr.				✓	NISHIMOTO, Scott Y., Co-Chr.	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓				POUHA, Feki	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓					
TOTAL	3	—	—	2	**TOTAL**	4	—	—	—

| A = Aye | WR = Aye with Reservations | N = Nay | E = Excused |

Senate Recommendation is: ☑ Adopted ❑ Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: ☑ Adopted ❑ Not Adopted
Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: *(signature)*	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: *(signature)*

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