

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 711

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 2015

RE: S.B. No. 286
S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 286, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF THE STATE
INSPECTOR GENERAL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to promote accountability and integrity in government.

Specifically, the measure:

- (1) Establishes the Office of the State Inspector General, to be headed by the State Inspector General, within the Department of the Attorney General for administrative purposes only; and
- (2) Requires the Office of the State Inspector General to investigate alleged fraud, waste, abuse, or corruption by any state agency, quasi-public agency, or any officer or employee of a state agency or quasi-public agency.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from one individual. The Department of the Attorney General provided written comments on the measure.

Your Committee finds that accountability is essential to maintaining public trust in government. Your Committee believes that by establishing the Office of the State Inspector General to

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perform independent investigations and reviews, this measure will promote integrity and accountability, maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of state agencies, and provide objective and useful information to state officials and the general public.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Placing the Office of the State Inspector General within the Judiciary, rather than the Department of the Attorney General, for administrative purposes only; and
- (2) Making a conforming amendment to change the expending agency for the measure's appropriation from the Department of the Attorney General to the Judiciary.

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 S.B. No. 286, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 286, S.D. 2.

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;">SB286 SD1</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">JDL, WAM</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">2/27/15</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 <div style="font-size: 0.8em;">2312</div> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <div style="font-size: 0.8em;">2311</div> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <div style="font-size: 0.8em;">2310</div> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit <div style="font-size: 0.8em;">2313</div> </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)				✓
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	10	0	0	1
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>				
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