STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2388**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 5 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2600

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2600 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.

Specifically, this measure appropriates:

- (1) \$9,645,383 to the Senate;
- (2) \$13,269,211 to the House of Representatives;
- (3) \$3,157,127 to the Office of the Auditor;
- (4) \$2,800,000 for deposit into the Audit Revolving Fund;
- (5) \$6,300,000 from the Audit Revolving Fund to the Office of the Auditor to conduct or complete its audit functions;
- (6) \$3,707,995 to the Legislative Reference Bureau;

- (7) \$1,322,205 to the Office of the Ombudsman;
- (8) \$1,130,158 to the Hawaii State Ethics Commission; and
- (9) \$535,028 for accrued vacation payments and vacation transfer payments for employees leaving the employ of the Senate, House of Representatives, Office of the Auditor, Legislative Reference Bureau, Office of the Ombudsman, and Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

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

The Legislative Reference Bureau submitted comments on the measure.

Your Committee finds that this measure appropriates sufficient funds to defray the necessary expenses in fiscal year 2018-2019 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.

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. 2600, 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,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Cha.:

The Senate Twenty-Ninth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		×			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)		×			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					X
GALUTERIA, Brickwood		X			
HARIMOTO, Breene		X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	-				×
KAHELE, Kaiali'i		X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.		X			
RIVIERE, Gil		X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.		X	· .		
WAKAI, Glenn		X			<u>.</u>
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