STAND. COM. REP. NO. 233

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 1 , 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1452

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1452 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish and appropriate funds for the Hawaii Legal Aid Interagency Roundtable to facilitate cooperation between various state agencies regarding civil legal services and access to justice; and
- (2) Appropriate funds for the Judiciary to purchase civil legal services for low- and moderate-income persons.

Volunteer Legal Services Hawai'i, Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i, Delivery of Legal Services to the Public Committee of the Hawaii State Bar Association, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and two individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Human Services and Farrell & Perrault Family Law Attorneys, LLC provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation for the Judiciary to purchase civil legal services for low- and moderate-income persons to an unspecified amount for Fiscal Biennium 2019-2021; and
- (2) 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. 1452, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1452, H.D. 1.

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

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The THIRTIETH Legislature

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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance**

Bill/Resolution No.: Con	mmittee Referral:	2 Date:	2/21/19	
☐ 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. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)				
3. ELI, Stacelynn K.M.				
4. GATES, Cedric Asuega				
5. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.				
6. HOLT, Daniel				
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa				
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
9. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.				
10. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.				
11. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
12. TODD, Chris				<u></u>
13. WILDBERGER, Tina				
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
15. McDERMOTT, Bob				
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TOTAL (15)	14	Ø	Ø	
The recommendation is:  Adopted Not Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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