

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

837

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2019

RE: H.B. No. 533
H.D. 2

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. 533, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BROADBAND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

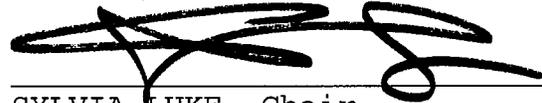
- (1) Establish the Hawaii Broadband Office within the Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism (DBEDT);
- (2) Establish the position of State Broadband Strategy Officer;
- (3) Change the name of the Broadband Assistance Advisory Council to the Broadband Advisory Council, amend its functions to eliminate promotion of telework, amend its membership, and transfer the Council and its administration from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) to DBEDT; and
- (4) Appropriate funds for the creation and staffing of the Hawaii Broadband Office.



DBEDT, DCCA, Department of Health, Department of Education, and O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i submitted testimony in support of the measure.

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. 533, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



