STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1231

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR G 1 , 2019

RE: H.B. No. 548

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. 548, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Reallocate Transient Accommodations Tax (TAT) revenues from the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Special Land and Development Fund (Fund) to the Hawai'i Tourism Authority (HTA) to be expended in accordance with the HTA Strategic Plan;
- (2) Increase the TAT revenue allocation from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 to HTA and expand the uses of the allocation by HTA in accordance with the HTA Strategic Plan; and
- (3) Expand the required components to be contained in the annual HTA report submitted to the Governor and the Legislature.

HTA and a Council Member representing District 9 of the Hawai'i County Council testified in support of this measure. The

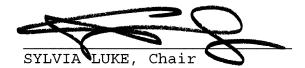
Department of Land and Natural Resources and Tax Foundation of Hawaii provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the \$5,000,000 TAT fund allocation to HTA to an unspecified amount; 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. 548, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 548, H.D. 2.

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



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The THIRTIETH Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HO 549 HO Committee	e Referral:	FM Date:	2/20/19	
☐ 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			tavata ta	
13. WILDBERGER, Tina				
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. McDERMOTT, Bob				<u> </u>
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The recommendation is:	□ Not Adopte	ed F		
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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