STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii **FEB 18**, 2021 RE: H.B. No. 954

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness and Labor & Tourism, to which was referred H.B. No. 954 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to convert certain employees of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency from civil service status to exempt status.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Energy Office, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, and one individual. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Defense and one individual.

Your Committees find that the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency does not have sufficient staff and applicants to fill critical vacancies with well-trained, experienced, and qualified personnel. Exempting certain positions from civil service status within the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency will allow the State to competitively recruit and retain highly qualified individuals and reduce the State's risk in having critical positions vacant for extended periods.



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Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- Including the Executive Officer of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency as a position exempt from civil service status;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness and Labor & Tourism that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 954, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 954, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness and Labor & Tourism,

RICHARD H.K. ONISHI, Chair

LINDA ICHIYAMA, (**h**ai



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 954 PDP/	ee Referral: LAT, FIN	Date:	Date: 2-9-21				
θ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.							
The recommendation is to: θ Pass, unamended (as is) \checkmark Pass, with amendments (HD) θ Hold θ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)							
PDP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused			
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)							
2. ELI, Stacelynn K.M. (VC)							
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.			2.5.1. 1818 AUGUST				
4. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	\checkmark						
5. MIZUNO, John M.	1						
6. WILDBERGER, Tina	~						
7. WOODSON, Justin H.	\checkmark						
8. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.							
9. WARD, Gene							
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature:							
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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 954	Committee Referral: PDP/LAT	Per Referral: Date: DP/LAT, FIN 2-09-2					
θ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.							
The recommendation is to: θ Pass, unamended (as is) Φ Pass, with amendments (HD) θ Hold θ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)							
LAT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused			
1. ONISHI, Richard H.K. (C)	V						
2. SAYAMA, Jackson D. (VC)	V						
3. BELATTI, Della Au				The second states of the second second			
4. HOLT, Daniel	V						
5. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.							
6. QUINLAN, Sean				V			
7. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	V						
8. OKIMOTO, Val	V						
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