CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 2 3 2021

RE: S.B. No. 1350 S.D. 1 H.D. 2

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Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

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

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 1350, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE GOVERNMENT,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to further defer:

- Salary increases for the executive and judicial branches for an additional eighteen months at the salary rate as of July 1, 2022; and
- (2) Planned raises for members of the Legislature for an additional two years at the rate as of June 30, 2020; provided that the salaries for legislators are adjusted to the January 1, 2023, rate as of that date; provided further that the salary recommendations for legislators on January 1, 2024, are also effective on that date.



Your Committee on Conference finds that, pursuant to section 26-56, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Commission on Salaries submitted a report of its findings and its salary recommendations for the next six years to the Legislature in 2019. Your Committee on Conference notes that the recommended salary adjustments submitted by the Commission on Salaries become effective on July 1 of the following fiscal year. Your Committee on Conference believes that because of the economic downturn that has resulted from the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic, implementation of the Commission on Salaries' recommendations to the salaries of the executive and judicial branches, and planned adjustments for the Legislature, should continue to be deferred.

Your Committee on Conference further finds that, in February 2011, the U.S. Census Bureau announced it will likely delay delivery of the 2020 census results to the fifty states by as much as six months or more. This will significantly delay the reapportionment of federal, state, and county districts by the Reapportionment Commission.

Your Committee on Conference recognizes that reapportionment should occur before a candidate for the 2022 election is issued a nomination paper to ensure that the candidate not only meets the residency requirements, but also collects signatures from voters in the correct district. Your Committee on Conference further notes that after experiencing delays in preparing the reapportionment plan following the 2010 census, the State of Hawaii 2011 Reapportionment Commission Final Report and Reapportionment Plan made recommendations to improve the reapportionment process for the future, which includes clarifying the definition of a "permanent resident" and streamlining public notice of the proposed, revised, and final reapportionment plans.

Your Committee on Conference addresses the Reapportionment Commission's recommendation to clarify the definition of a "permanent resident" by requiring only the extraction of nonpermanent residents from the total population of the State as counted by the U.S. Census Bureau. Obtaining specific data, rather than estimates, should result in an actual count of non-residents; and thereby provide a count of the permanent resident population of the State. In addition, the streamlined form of notice for reapportionment plans proposed by this measure is projected to result in significant cost savings, while also providing adequate notice to the public of the Reapportionment Commission's actions and



the availability of the Reapportionment Plan and other related documents.

Accordingly, your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting language that:
  - (A) Permits public notice in a short form for proposed, revised, and final reapportionment plans, subject to specific requirements;
  - (B) Temporarily amends the start date for the availability of nomination papers for the 2022 primary election;
  - (C) Defines "permanent resident" for reapportionment purposes; and
  - (D) Authorizes and appropriates funds to the Reapportionment Commission;
- (2) Making it effective upon its approval; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1350, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1350, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1.



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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE ON THE PART OF THE SENATE



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