

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3775**

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1925
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1925, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE PLANNING ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to facilitate future long-range development of the State.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Establishes the Hawaii State Planning Act Phase II Task Force within the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development; and
- (2) Makes an appropriation.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Department of Agriculture, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Office of Planning and Sustainable Development, Department of Research & Development, County of Hawai'i, aio, Hawaii Community Foundation, Hawaii Farm Bureau, Hawaii Gas, Hawaiian Host Group, Holomua Collaborative, Housing Hawaii's Future, HPM Building Supply, Mana Up, Title Guaranty of Hawaii, and Tori Richard.



Your Committee finds that Act 100, Session Laws of Hawaii 1978, established the Hawaii State Planning Act to guide future long-range development of the State. Your Committee also finds that, in 2018, the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development completed Phase I of the comprehensive review of the Hawaii State Planning Act. Your Committee further finds that the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development's findings and recommendations provide a foundation and scope of a recommended Phase II update, including an approach to align current and emerging conditions and issues to enhance the effectiveness of planning, the needs of Hawaii's people, and the future trajectory of the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1925, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair

