

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 989

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Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism,
to which was referred H.B. No. 989, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate
funds to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and
Tourism for expenses related to building renovations.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
and Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority.

Your Committee finds that the entire fifth floor of the No. 1
Capitol District Building requires extensive renovations due to
health and safety concerns and deteriorating conditions. The
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
currently occupies the fifth floor of the building and will be
required to pay for expenses related to the renovations. In 2022,
the Legislature appropriated \$660,000 to the Department of
Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to pay for the
renovations. However, the Governor line-item vetoed the
appropriation as well as other items to comply with the federally
mandated Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds
Maintenance of Effort requirement. This measure will appropriate



funds to cover necessary renovation-related expenses not included in the building renovation contract, such as moving and storage of items, replacement of partitions and furniture, and temporary office rental and relocation expenses.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 989, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy, Economic
Development, and Tourism,



LYNN DECOITE, Chair



