

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2586

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2772
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 Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 2772 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BUILDING PERMITS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a Uniform Building Permit Working Group to study the feasibility of creating a single statewide building permit application package and a uniform review and approval process for building permits that can be used by all counties; and
- (2) Appropriate funds.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Accounting and General Services.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawaii Government Employee Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO.

Your Committee finds that under existing law, applications for building permits are submitted to, and reviewed and approved by, each county, with varying requirements and processes, making it confusing for applicants to obtain one. This measure will reduce confusion, standardize paperwork, enhance efficiency, and



streamline the building permit review and approval process in the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding the following members of their designees to the working group:
 - (A) The President of the Hawaii Chapter of the American Planning Association;
 - (B) The President of the Hawaii State Council of the American Institute of Architects;
 - (C) The Chair of the Hawaii Council of Engineering Societies;
 - (D) The Executive Director of the Hawaii Bankers Association; and
 - (E) The Executive Director of the Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2772, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2772, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Government
Operations,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



