

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2998**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 2024

RE: S.B. No. 3226
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 Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 3226, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to provide that a maximum time period to grant or deny a business or development-related permit, license, or approval shall only apply if a request for a contested case has not been filed or is required by law.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu and Office of the Mayor of the County of Hawai'i.

Your Committee finds that Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii 1998 (Act 164), enhanced the State's business environment to prevent administrative agency delays. However, Act 164 did not consider the applicable timeframe to grant or deny the permit, license, or approval when a contested case request has been made or is required by law. This measure clarifies that the maximum time period does not apply while the contested case process is proceeding.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your



Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3226, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,



KARL RHOADS, Chair



