

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

608

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 2023

RE: S.B. No. 576  
S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 576, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require reports of out-of-state and intra-state travel by state employees, officers, or other representatives to be made available for public review on the Comptroller's website.

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

Your Committee finds that out-of-state and intra-state travel information by state employees, officers, or other representatives is fragmented making it difficult and time consuming to acquire. There is no accessible, searchable database to find out how often state officials use taxpayer-funded travel and how much it costs. To ensure transparency, all out-of-state and intra-state taxpayer-funded trips by state officials and staff should be disclosed on an easily accessible website after they are completed.

Additionally, your Committee notes that the Department of Accounting and General Services has suggested a collaboration with the Department of Enterprise Technology Services to utilize the



Open Data Portal as a platform for the requirement of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion.

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. 576, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 576, S.D. 2, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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



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ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-Second Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Government Operations**  
**GVO**

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB576, SD <del>114</del> <sup>115</sup> <sub>114</sub>	Committee Referral: GVO, NAM	Date: 02-16-23		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.				✓
WAKAI, Glenn				✓
AWA, Brenton	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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