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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 12 ' 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1529 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1529 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BURIAL COUNCILS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow any Island Burial Council member whose term has expired to continue in office as a holdover member until the member's reappointment to a second term is confirmed or a successor is nominated and appointed.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committee finds that this measure attempts to ensure that an Island Burial Council is able to maintain sufficient quorum to conduct business in the event that a member's term expires and the member's reappointment is delayed or a successor is not timely nominated and appointed.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Clarifying that a holdover member cannot hold office beyond the end of the fourth regular session of the

Legislature following the expiration of the member's term of office; and

(2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1529, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1529, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water & Land,

OR TANDA TOUTVAMA

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1529	Committee Referral: WAL_I(JHA	Date:	01/30/24
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)			
WAL Members	Ayes A	yes (WR)	Nays Excused
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)	V		
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)	V		
3. CHUN, Cory M.			-1173
4. GANADEN, Sonny			
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5. HASHEM, Mark J.	<b>V</b>	MUNICIPAL PROPERTY OF THE SECOND SECTION OF SECTION SE	
6. MIZUNO, May Besario			
7. MORIKAWA, Dee			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg			Charles the state of the state
9. SOUZA, Kanani			
TOTAL (9)			
The recommendation is:    If joint referral, did not support recommendation.    Committee acronym(s)   Comm			
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:			
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