

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1912

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1912 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JUDGES FOR THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish an additional district court judgeship in the First Circuit.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Judiciary.

Your Committee finds that the population and issues facing the City and County of Honolulu have significantly increased since the last District Court judge was authorized over forty years ago. Authorizing an additional District Court judge will allow the District Court to better manage court dockets, be more responsive to the needs of the community, increase capacity in the rural courts, and develop or expand specialized court calendars.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1912 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs,

DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-second Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB1917	Committee Referral:	Date	1-31-24	
☐ 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)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)			This is proved	
2. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (VC)			1 1 3 11 200	
3. EVSLIN, Luke A.			- 11 February 1991	<u>pa</u>
4. GANADEN, Sonny				
5. HOLT, Daniel				f antone even
6. ICHIYAMA, Linda	. 1614ku . 148ku 145.4 <u>2</u>			
7. ILAGAN, Greggor				
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8. KONG, Sam Satoru			::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
9. MIYAKE, Tyson K.				
J. WILLIAM, Tyson IX.				T SAL
10. SOUZA, Kanani			**************************************	
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TOTAL (10)				
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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