STAND. COM. REP. NO. 440 -24

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2024

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RE: H.B. No. 2375 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. 2375 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FUNDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reinstate the Governor's authority to transfer funds to cope with the effects of natural disasters, for operating purposes, or to supplement the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Firefighter's Contingency Fund.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Budget and Finance, and Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency.

Your Committee finds that this measure grants the Governor the necessary flexibility to respond swiftly and effectively to natural disasters or unexpected emergencies.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2375, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2375, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chai

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB2375	Committee Referral: WALIFIN	Date:	2/1/2	4
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	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)	√	4		
A POPPOP MALL (MG)				
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)				
3. CHUN, Cory M.				
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4. GANADEN, Sonny				1
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
J. HASHEW, Walk J.				
6. MIZUNO, May Besario	√			
7. MORIKAWA, Dee				
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
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9. SOUZA, Kanani	V			
TOTAL (9)	9	0	0	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. Committee acronyin(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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