

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3711

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 05 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2570
H.D. 1
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2570, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ATTORNEYS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require attorneys who are applying to practice in the State pro hac vice to include certain evidence in their applications, in addition to the information and evidence required by the rules of the Hawaii Supreme Court, to ensure that both the applicant and local counsel will pay all state income tax due for Hawaii business activities.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Association of Public Accountants.

Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from the Judiciary.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Tax Foundation of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the additional evidence required by this measure for petitions or motions to practice in Hawaii pro hac vice will help ensure compliance with the State's income tax laws, reduce the need for certain tax audits, and inform



out-of-state attorneys who practice in the State's courts of their Hawaii tax obligations.

Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that applications to practice in the State pro hac vice should include an affirmation that both the applicant and local counsel will pay all general excise tax as well as all state income tax due for Hawaii business activities, as recommended in written comments from the Hawaii Association of Public Accountants.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2570, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2570, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

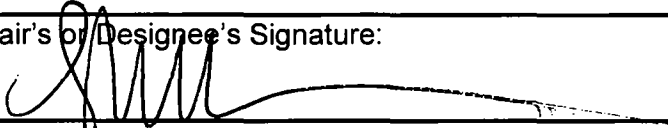
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Second Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB2570 HD1 SD1	Committee Referral: JDC, WAM	Date: 4/3/2024		
<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
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn				X
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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