STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2023 FEB 14

H.B. No. 979 RE: H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2023 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 979 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to satisfy several claims against the State, its officers, or its employees.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Attorney General, Department of Transportation, Department of Education, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Department of the Attorney General testified that it has advised its client agencies on how to avoid claims such as those included in this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- Appropriating: (1)
 - \$153,110.25 in general funds for a claim by Community Empowerment Resources;

- (B) \$118,524.00 in general funds for a claim by Ding Jing; and
- (C) \$450,000.00 in general funds for a settlement in the case Roe No. 113 v. State of Hawaii;
- (2) Changing the effective date to June 30, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) 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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 979, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 979, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 979	Committee Referral:	FIN Date	2/9/20	23
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	.,		→
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)		18		
2. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (VC)			ii	
3. GANADEN, Sonny	~			
4. HOLT, Daniel	~			
5. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.				
6. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
7. ILAGAN, Greggor				
8. KONG, Sam Satoru				
9. MIZUNO, John M.				
10. SOUZA, Kanani		<u> </u>		
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TOTAL (10) The recommendation is: Add	U Not Adopte	nd.		
The recommendation is: If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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