

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1196

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 20 2025**

RE: H.B. No. 1391  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Economic Development and Tourism and Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.B. No. 1391, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRADE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish the Hawai'i-Ireland Trade Commission within the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism for administrative purposes.

Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

Your Committees find that international trade relationships can create pathways that support mutual economic and cultural development. Global concerns and policy issues such as education, energy, and good governance, are best addressed through collaboration and diverse perspectives. By establishing a trade commission with Ireland, the State will open itself to benefit from this cooperation while promoting local businesses on a global scale.



Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Economic Development and Tourism and Transportation and Culture and the Arts that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1391, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1391, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Economic  
Development and Tourism and  
Transportation and Culture and  
the Arts,



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CHRIS LEE, Chair



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LYNN DECOITE, Chair





The Senate  
 Thirty-Third Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB 1391 HD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EDT/TCA, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3-13-2025</b>
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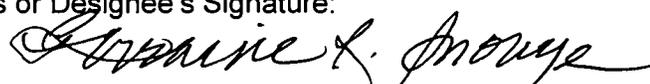
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  
 If so, then the previous decision was to: \_\_\_\_\_

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312    
  Pass, with amendments 2311    
 Hold 2310    
 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha			✓	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>1</b>	

Recommendation:    
 Adopted    
 Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:  


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