

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1775

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 , 2025

RE: S.B. No. 1102  
S.D. 2  
H.D. 2

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 1102, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AIRCRAFT RESCUE FIRE  
FIGHTING UNIT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to specify the appointment processes and terms for the Fire Chief of the Hawaii State Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Unit of the Airports Division of the Department of Transportation.

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

Your Committee finds that the existing classification of the Fire Chief of the Hawaii State Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Unit as a civil service position limits the Department of Transportation's ability to ensure consistent leadership and accountability. Transitioning this role to an appointed position would require reclassification through the Department of Human Resources Development and agreement from the appropriate labor representative. This measure authorizes the Director of Transportation to appoint the Fire Chief, promoting strategic

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leadership, continuity in operations, and a clearly defined term to support long-term planning and enhanced oversight.

Your Committee has amended this measure by 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 S.B. No. 1102, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1102, S.D. 2, H.D. 2.

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



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DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Thirty-third Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: SB1102 (D2 HD1)	Committee Referral: TRN, JHA	Date: 03/28/2025		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> 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)	✓			
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. COCHRAN, Elle				✓
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. KAHALOA, Kirstin	✓			
7. PERRUSO, Amy A.	✓			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	✓			
9. TODD, Chris	✓			
10. GARCIA, Diamond				✓
11. SHIMIZU, Garner M.	W M		✓	
TOTAL (11)	8	0	1	2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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