

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2256

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 13 2026

RE: S.B. No. 2354
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Commerce and Consumer Protection and
Economic Development and Tourism, to which was referred S.B.
No. 2354 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the
Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to
make contact information for newly registered business entities
available online and send their contact information to the
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism's
Business Development and Support Division.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and
Tourism; Retail Merchants of Hawaii; Hawaii Food Industry
Association; Chamber of Commerce Hawaii; and Hawai'i Restaurant
Association.

Your Committees received comments on this measure from the
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Your Committees find that small businesses play an important
role in the State's economy. Your Committees further find that it
can be challenging for these small businesses to connect with



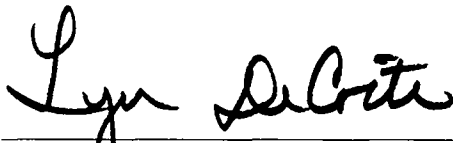
available State resources and support, such as grants, loans, training opportunities, and economic data. This measure would facilitate better access to resources for small businesses by enabling the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to access business registrant contact information to promote its services and communicate with businesses.

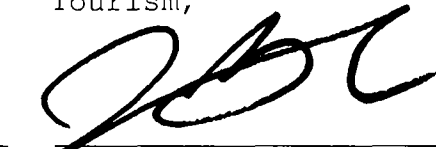
Your Committees have amended this measure by:

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

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Commerce and Consumer Protection and Economic Development and Tourism that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2354, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2354, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Commerce and
Consumer Protection and
Economic Development and
Tourism,



LYNN DECOITE, Chair

JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE, Chair

The Senate
Thirty-Third Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
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| Bill / Resolution No.:* SB2354 | Committee Referral: CPN/EDT, WAM | Date: 2/3/26 | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____ | | | | |
| The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>ay</i> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div> | | | | |
| Members | Aye | Aye (WR) | Nay | Excused |
| KEOHOKALO, Jarrett (C) | ✓ | | | |
| FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC) | ✓ | | | |
| LAMOSAO, Rachele | ✓ | | | |
| MCKELVEY, Angus L.K. | | ✓ | | |
| AWA, Brenton | | | | ✓ |
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| Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div> | | | | |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div> | | | | |
| Distribution: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">Original File with Committee Report</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Yellow Committee</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Pink Drafting Agency</div> </div> | | | | |

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