

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2114
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Technology, to which was referred H.B. No. 2114, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish the Hawaii Benefits Hub within the Office of Enterprise Technology Services; and
- (2) Expand the responsibilities of the Chief Information Officer to include collaboration on the development and implementation of a statewide portal to government services.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i Alliance of Nonprofit Organizations; Hawai'i Primary Care Association; and Hawai'i Children's Action Network. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services and Office of Enterprise Technology Services.

Your Committee finds that residents face significant barriers when applying for and maintaining eligibility for state-managed social assistance programs, due to duplicative requirements and



complex verification processes. This measure addresses these concerns by establishing a centralized Hawaii Benefits Hub to streamline applications, improve data sharing, and help residents meet eligibility requirements.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2114, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Technology,



GREGGOR ILAGAN, Chair



