

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2240
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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2240 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE AUDITOR, THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU, THE OMBUDSMAN, AND THE ETHICS COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to provide for the expenses of the Legislature, Auditor, Legislative Reference Bureau, Ombudsman, and Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Legislative Reference Bureau; Office of the Ombudsman; Hawai'i State Ethics Commission; Office of the Auditor; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that this measure appropriates sufficient funds to defray the necessary expenses of the Senate and House of Representatives through June 30, 2027, including session and nonsession expenses. Your Committee further finds that this measure also appropriates sufficient funds to defray the necessary expenses of the Office of the Auditor, Legislative Reference Bureau, Office of the Ombudsman, and Hawaii State Ethics Commission for fiscal year 2026-2027.



Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment to correct a rounding error in the appropriation amount.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2240, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2240, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



CHRIS TODD, Chair



