

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 , 2026

RE: S.B. No. 2593
S.D. 1
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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2593, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS BOARD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exempt certain positions of the Law Enforcement Standards Board from the State's civil service law and collective bargaining requirements.

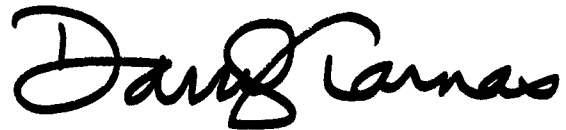
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Law Enforcement Standards Board and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO.

Your Committee finds that the Law Enforcement Standards Board's staffing level of one full-time employee is insufficient to fulfill its statutory duties effectively. This measure strengthens the Board's capacity to uphold public confidence in law enforcement by facilitating the recruitment of specialized personnel necessary to carry out its mission.



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. 2593, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

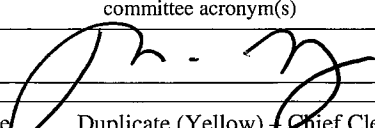
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2593 (DI HDI)	Committee Referral: LAB, JHA, FIN	Date: 3/24/2026		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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. SAYAMA, Jackson D.				✓
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	✓			
9. GARCIA, Diamond		✓		
10. SHIMIZU, Garner M.	✓			
TOTAL (10)	6	3	0	1
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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