

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 349 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2696  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2696 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF THE JUDICIARY HISTORY CENTER,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to facilitate appointments to the five-member Executive Board of the Judiciary History Center by clarifying the process for filling vacancies. Under this bill, if the vacant position was one of the three positions originally appointed by the Chief Justice from a list of seven candidates submitted by the Friends of the Judiciary History Center (Friends), the Chief Justice shall fill that vacancy from a list of three candidates submitted by the Friends.

The Judiciary and the Friends testified in support of this bill.

Currently, when one of these three positions becomes vacant, the law is interpreted to require the Chief Justice to fill that position from a list of seven candidates submitted by the Friends. Compiling a list of seven candidates has proven to be a challenge, especially when two vacancies occur during the same year.

Your Committee has amended this bill by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2696, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2696, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



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TOMMY WATERS, Chair



