

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2377

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 26 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2150

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 2150 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO APPELLATE JURISDICTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to permanently establish the jurisdictional responsibilities of the appellate courts.

Testimony in support of the measure was submitted by the Judiciary. Written testimony presented to your Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

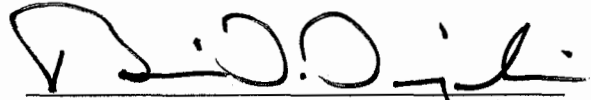
Your Committee finds that Act 202, Session Laws of Hawaii 2004, authorized a change in the responsibilities of the appellate courts, essentially making the Hawaii Supreme Court a certiorari court. The resulting effects have been very positive: the Supreme Court has been able to hold oral argument in more of the cases it takes; appeals at the Intermediate Court of Appeals have been decided timely; and the age of pending and decided appeals has been reduced. Your Committee finds that the sunset provision of Act 202 should be repealed and the jurisdictional responsibilities established under Act 202 should be made permanent.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2150 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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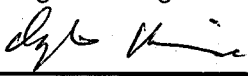
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Judiciary and  
Government Operations,

  
BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Fifth Legislature  
 State of Hawaii

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**Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations**  
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| Bill / Resolution No.:*<br><b>SB 2150</b>  | Committee Referral:<br><b>JGO</b> | Date:<br><b>2/10/10</b> |          |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.<br>If so, then the previous decision was to: _____  |                                   |                         |          |          |
| The Recommendation is:<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 |                                   |                         |          |          |
| Members  | Aye                               | Aye (WR)                | Nay      | Excused  |
| TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)  | ✓                                 |                         |          |          |
| TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. (VC)   | ✓                                 |                         |          |          |
| BUNDA, Robert  |                                   |                         |          | ✓        |
| GABBARD, Mike  | ✓                                 |                         |          |          |
| NISHIHARA, Clarence K.   | ✓                                 |                         |          |          |
| SLOM, Sam  | ✓                                 |                         |          |          |
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| Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted   |                                   |                         |          |          |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature:<br>  |                                   |                         |          |          |
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