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**DEPT. COMM. NO. 151**

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

I transmit to you a copy of the *State-County Functions Working Group Report*.

Act 174, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2014, created the State-County Functions Working Group, with the Office of the Auditor providing administrative support. The Working Group was directed to conduct a study to evaluate the division of duties and responsibilities between the State and the counties relating to public services; and to recommend to the Legislature a model for allocation of transient accommodation tax revenues. This report includes the recommendations of the Working Group and the study prepared by the Office of the Auditor and the Working Group's consultant.

In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, we have also transmitted a copy of this report to the Legislative Reference Bureau Library.

The public may view an electronic copy of this report on Tuesday, December 29, 2015 on our agency's website at <http://auditor.hawaii.gov/>.

Should you have any questions about this report, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 587-0800, or via email at [Auditors2@auditor.state.hi.us](mailto:Auditors2@auditor.state.hi.us).

Sincerely,

Jan K. Yamane  
Acting State Auditor

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