

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **630**

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 6, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 1187
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1187 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISPOSITION OF TAX REVENUES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to promote budgetary planning and transparency by setting maximum amounts to be distributed to the Hawaii Cancer Research Special Fund, Trauma System Special Fund, Community Health Centers Special Fund, and the Emergency Medical Services Special Fund pursuant to the cigarette tax and tobacco tax law.

The Department of Health, University of Hawaii System, The Queen's Health Systems, Hawaii Pacific Health, Hawaii Primary Care Association, and two concerned individuals provided testimony in opposition to this measure. The Tax Foundation of Hawaii submitted comments.

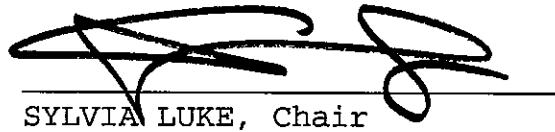
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting unspecified rates and maximum distribution amounts for each of the non-general funds specified; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



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. 1187, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1187, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



