

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 9, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2348
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 2348 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERMANENT EXEMPT POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Restore the second deputy director position for the Department of Human Services;
- (2) Establish the positions of community/project development director and policy director within the office of the Director of Human Services as permanently exempt positions;
- (3) Convert the division administrator, finance officer, health care services branch administrator, medical director, clinical standards administrator, and research/health analytics manager of the Med-QUEST Division of the Department of Human Services to permanent civil service exempt status; and
- (4) Appropriate funds for the salaries of the second deputy director, private secretary for the second deputy director, community/project development director, and policy director of the Department of Human Services.



The Department of Human Services supported this measure. The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Exempting the division administrator, finance officer, health care services branch administrator, medical director, clinical standards administrator, and research/health analytics manager of the Med-QUEST Division and the community/project development director and policy director of the Department of Human Services from civil service status for three years after the enactment of this measure unless affirmatively extended by an act of the legislature;
- (2) Changing the amounts appropriated for the salaries of the second deputy director, private secretary for the second deputy director, community/project development director, and policy director of the Department of Human Services to unspecified amounts;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2060, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

Should the Committee on Finance deliberate this measure further, your Committee on Human Services requests that it consider appropriating:

- (1) \$125,700 for the salary of the additional deputy director of the Department of Human Services;
- (2) \$60,000 for the salary of the private secretary for the additional deputy director of the Department of Human Services;
- (3) \$105,648 for the salary of the community/project development director of the Department of Human Services; and
- (4) \$80,016 for the salary of the policy director of the Department of Human Services.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2348, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2348, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Labor & Public Employment.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services,



DEE MORIKAWA, Chair



