

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3087

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2348
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Human Services and Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred H.B. No. 2348, H.D. 2, entitled:

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

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Restore the second Deputy Director position within 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; and
- (3) Appropriate funds the Deputy Director, Community/Project Development Director, and Policy Director positions and one private secretary position for the second Deputy Director.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Primary Care Association and Department of Human Services. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Hawaii Government Employees Association.

Your Committees find that this measure assists the Department of Human Services manage its programs effectively, thereby

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assisting Hawaii residents who are in need of the Department's benefits and services.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the Governor's approval as a prerequisite to retaining the second Deputy Director position within the Department of Human Services; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services and Judiciary and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2348, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2348, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Human Services
and Judiciary and Labor,


GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair


SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



