

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 3, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2720

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2720 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE AUDITOR, THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU, THE OMBUDSMAN, AND THE ETHICS COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the legislative branch of state government. Among other things, this bill appropriates:

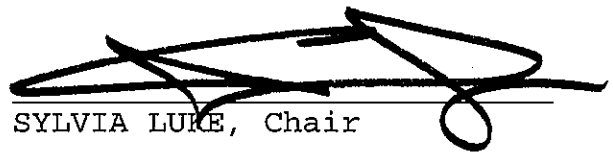
- (1) \$8,878,376 to the Senate;
- (2) \$12,130,374 to the House of Representatives;
- (3) \$2,978,549 to the Office of the Auditor;
- (4) \$2,800,000 for deposit into the Audit Revolving Fund;
- (5) \$6,300,000 from the Audit Revolving Fund to the Office of the Auditor to conduct or complete its audit functions;
- (6) \$3,463,419 to the Legislative Reference Bureau;
- (7) \$1,216,970 to the Office of the Ombudsman; and
- (8) \$1,009,695 to the State Ethics Commission.



The Office of the Auditor, Office of the Ombudsman, Hawaii State Ethics Commission, and League of Women Voters of Hawaii testified in support of this measure. The Legislative Reference Bureau provided comments.

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. 2720 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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


SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB2720	Committee Referral: FIN	Date: 02/02/16		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	/			
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.	/			
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	/			
5. DeCOITE, Lynn	/			
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
7. JORDAN, Jo	/			
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	/			
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	/			
10. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	/			
11. LOWEN, Nicole E.	/			
12. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	/			
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				/
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			
15. POUHA, Feki	/			
16. WARD, Gene	/			
TOTAL (16)	15			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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