

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1329
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business, to which was referred H.B. No. 1329 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to assist the development of proof of concepts created during Hawaii Annual Code Challenges into prototypes.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires the High Technology Development Corporation to issue grants to help convert proof of concepts developed during the 2017 and 2018 Hawaii Annual Code Challenges into prototypes;
- (2) Requires the High Technology Development Corporation to obtain donations; and
- (3) Appropriates funds.

Testimony in support of the measure was submitted by the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, the High Technology Development Corporation, a member of the Honolulu City Council, Moonshot Incubator, Transform Hawaii Government, Hawaii Venture Capital Association, Reef Capital Ventures, DevLeague, and seven individuals.

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Your Committee finds that hackathons, like the Hawaii Annual Code Challenge, are designed to quickly produce proof of concepts, often without regard to quality control testing, optimization, or completeness. Your Committee further finds that establishing a program to provide funds for the additional development of the proof of concepts will help to refine these projects into working prototypes.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2038, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1329, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1329, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Business,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



