

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1530
H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1530, H.D. 1, 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.

Specifically, this measure appropriates:

- (1) \$9,588,608 to the Senate;
- (2) \$13,205,390 to the House of Representatives;
- (3) \$3,151,649 to the Office of the Auditor;
- (4) \$2,800,000 to be deposited into the Audit Revolving Fund;
- (5) \$6,300,000 from the Audit Revolving Fund to the Office of the Auditor to conduct or complete audit functions;
- (6) \$3,676,187 to the Legislative Reference Bureau;
- (7) \$1,316,799 to the Office of the Ombudsman; and



(8) \$1,112,093 to the State Ethics Commission.


Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the State Ethics Commission, the Office of the Ombudsman, the Office of the Auditor, and one individual.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Legislative Reference Bureau and Common Cause Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that this measure appropriates sufficient funds to defray the necessary expenses in fiscal year 2017-2018 of the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Office of the Auditor, the Legislative Reference Bureau, the Office of the Ombudsman, and the State Ethics Commission.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1530, H.D. 1, 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 Ways and Means,



JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



