

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 1, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2012
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2012, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX,"

begs leave to report as follows:

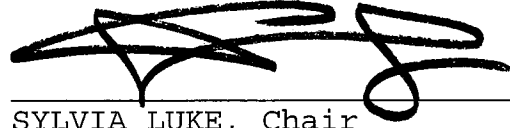
The purpose of this measure is to allocate funds from transient accommodations tax revenues to the Hawai'i Tourism Authority to implement initiatives, in conjunction with the Hawai'i Lodging and Tourism Association, to address homelessness in tourist and resort areas and to report to the Legislature.

IMUAlliance, Kohala Coast Resort Association, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Hawai'i Lodging and Tourism Association, and Maui Hotel and Lodging Association testified in support of this measure. The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Hawai'i Tourism Authority, and Tax Foundation of Hawaii 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. 2012, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



