

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2362
H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Human Services and Labor, to which was referred H.B. No. 2362, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICERS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to exempt administrative appeals hearing officers in the Department of Human Services from civil service requirements.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services.

Your Committees find that the Department of Human Services provides an administrative review process for applicants and recipients of public benefits to appeal decisions made by the Department. Your Committees further find that the Department maintains a staff of experienced, trained, and knowledgeable administrative appeal hearing officers to conduct timely, accurate, and prompt administrative hearings and has received testimony from the Department indicating that the highly specialized demands of the administrative appeals hearing officer positions necessitate that these positions be from civil service requirements.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2362, H.D. 1, and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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



JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



JOSH GREEN, Chair



