

Honolulu, Hawaii  
March 1, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2582  
H.D. 1

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. 2582, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support the State's efforts to plan for, respond to, and recover from disasters and emergencies by:

- (1) Establishing a Hawaii Disaster Preparedness Task Force (Task Force) to review current disaster management coordination and protocols, develop recommendations to support the State's disaster planning, response, and recovery efforts, and report the findings and recommendations to the Legislature; and
- (2) Requiring and funding the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center at the University of Hawaii to draft a Hawaii Disaster Preparedness Plan (Plan), incorporating the Task Force's recommendations, and submit a report and update to the Plan to the Legislature.

The Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii supported this measure. Two concerned individuals opposed this measure. The Office of Information



Practices, Legislative Reference Bureau, Disability and Communication Access Board, University of Hawaii, and Hawaii Emergency Management Agency 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. 2582, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

  
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SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



