

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2696  
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2696, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MILITARY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to establish one full-time equivalent, civil service exempt cybersecurity analyst position within the State Department of Defense.


Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Defense and O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i.

Your Committee finds that cybersecurity threats are a serious public safety concern. Cyber threats range from propaganda and low-level web page defacements to espionage and serious disruption to infrastructure. Moreover, criminal organizations can use cyber attacks to conduct industrial espionage and monetary theft. Accordingly, your Committee finds that it is necessary to employ a full-time cybersecurity analyst within the State Department of Defense to help the State combat potentially debilitating cybersecurity threats.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2696, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental, and Military  
Affairs,

  
CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



