

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2906  
S.D. 1  
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 S.B. No. 2906, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE GOVERNOR'S COORDINATOR ON HOMELESSNESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish clear lines of accountability regarding the coordination of efforts to address homelessness statewide and to empower the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness (Coordinator) by:

- (1) Statutorily establishing the Coordinator position;
- (2) Specifying that the Coordinator reports directly to the Governor and serves as the principal officer in state government responsible for the performance, development, and oversight of programs, policies, and activities relating to homelessness; and
- (3) Appropriating funds to establish the Coordinator position and for related expenses of the Coordinator, including the hiring of staff.



The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Transportation, Catholic Charities Hawai'i, Parents And Children Together, Mental Health America of Hawai'i, and Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i supported this measure. The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness and Department of Human Services provided comments on this measure.

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 S.B. No. 2906, S.D. 1, 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



