

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1233

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 , 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1452
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1452 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish and appropriate funds for the Hawaii Legal Aid Interagency Roundtable to facilitate cooperation between various state agencies regarding civil legal services and access to justice; and
- (2) Appropriate funds for the Judiciary to purchase civil legal services for low- and moderate-income persons.

Volunteer Legal Services Hawai'i, Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i, Delivery of Legal Services to the Public Committee of the Hawaii State Bar Association, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and two individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Human Services and Farrell & Perrault Family Law Attorneys, LLC provided comments on this measure.

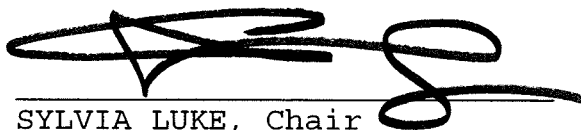


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation for the Judiciary to purchase civil legal services for low- and moderate-income persons to an unspecified amount for Fiscal Biennium 2019-2021; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 1452, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1452, H.D. 1.

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


SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



