

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1488

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. 1488, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE CAPITOL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is protect public safety while also preserving public access at the State Capitol by beginning to take preventive short- and long-term measures by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Accounting and General Services, in consultation with the Legislature and agencies responsible for security at the State Capitol and Washington Place, to develop and implement an enhanced security plan;
- (2) Appropriating funds for each year of fiscal biennium 2019-2021 to:
 - (A) Begin implementation of short-term improvements and planning for long-term improvements for security at the State Capitol and Washington Place;
 - (B) Plan, design, and install vehicular barriers, screening stations, and other security improvements at the State Capitol;




- (C) Purchase or lease security-screening equipment as may be necessary and contract for the services of private screening personnel at the State Capitol; and
 - (D) Plan and design new public parking facilities and an above-ground mall between Beretania Street, Punchbowl Street, and Washington Place; and
- (3) Requiring the Department of Accounting and General Services to submit a report to the Legislature on its progress and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2020, 2021, and 2022.

The O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i supported this measure. A concerned individual opposed the measure. The Department of Accounting and General Services, Department of Public Safety, Disability and Communication Access Board, and a concerned individual submitted 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. 1488, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



