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RE: H.B. No. 1793  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1793 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COMMISSION ON SALARIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend when recommendations by the Commission on Salaries are effective.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Judiciary.

Your Committee finds that salaries recommended by the Commission on Salaries currently take effect at staggered times. Under article XVI, section 3.5 of the Hawaii State Constitution, the Commission reviews and recommends "salaries for the justices and judges of all state courts, members of the [L]egislature," Governor and Lieutenant Governor, and specified appointed officials within the State executive branch. However, recommended salaries currently take effect in a staggered timeline.

Your Committee finds that all salary recommendations should become effective at the same time. Your Committee further finds that this measure will not affect when the Commissions submit their recommendations and dissolve, which will still occur every six years in accordance with the Hawaii State Constitution.



Rather this measure will require that recommendations take effect simultaneously at a later date.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1793, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1793, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



