Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 189

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 189 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DESIGNATING SUBSTITUTE JUDGES ON THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the Chief Justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court to designate circuit court judges, retired intermediate appellate judges, or retired supreme court justices to temporarily fill vacancies on the Intermediate Court of Appeals.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Judiciary; Appellate Section of the Hawaii State Bar Association; civil practitioners, including former presidents of the Hawaii State Bar Association; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the authorization provided by this measure would allow the Intermediate Court of Appeals to maintain its full complement of six judges to more efficiently address the court's heavy case load.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 189, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair

The Senate Thirty-First Legislature State of Hawai'i

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