

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 09 , 2021

RE: H.B. No. 1288

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 1288 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exclude non-voting ex-officio board members appointed by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives to the Board of Directors of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation from being counted for purposes of quorum.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from three individuals.

Your Committee finds that the existing law regarding quorum requirements for the Board of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation has caused confusion as to what constitutes a quorum of members to act on an item. Currently, there are fourteen board members, but only nine of those members have voting authority. Your Committee finds that clarification is needed as to which members should be counted toward a quorum so that the Board of Directors can act on important issues facing the Board of Directors. This measure would make it clear that the two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and President of the Senate do not count toward a quorum, thereby resolving any quorum and voting issues.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1288 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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

  
HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



