

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 560 -22

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1983
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development, to which was referred
H.B. No. 1983 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish the State Film Coordinator position in the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to review, approve, and issue permits to film in the State; and
- (2) Appropriate funds for the establishment of the State Film Coordinator position.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance; Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the film industry in the State is an active revenue generator that brings in millions of dollars into the State each year. Your Committee believes that establishing a position to act as a liaison between state agencies and the film industry can help attract more film productions to

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the State, thereby increasing revenues and creating more jobs for residents.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the name of the State Film Coordinator position to the State Film Liaison and clarifying that the position is established within the Creative Industries Division of the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism;
- (2) Clarifying that the duties of the State Film Liaison are to plan, develop, and executive a statewide film industry development strategy for purposes of establishing a collaborative film industry development program;
- (3) Deleting language that would have transferred the consolidated film permitting processing authority from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to the State Film Coordinator; and
- (4) 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 Economic Development that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1983, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1983, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development,


SEAN QUINLAN, Chair



