

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 2120  
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 Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness, to which was referred H.B. No. 2120 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Clarify current practices, policies, and procedures for the State Emergency Management Program and make them consistent with prevailing emergency management best practices; and
- (2) Highlight the intent of the State to address environmental and climate impacts on emergency management.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Defense, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, and Hawaii State Energy Office.

Your Committee finds that portions of the emergency management laws of Hawaii are antiquated and need to be updated to allow the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency to efficiently and effectively carry out its duties. This measure will update existing law to be consistent with current practices, policies,



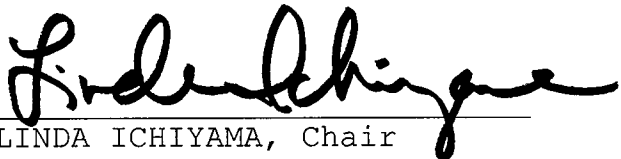
and procedures to ensure that the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency is adhering to best practices of emergency management, thereby providing the best protection to the citizens of the State.

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 Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2120, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2120, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Pandemic &  
Disaster Preparedness,

  
LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair



**Record of Votes of the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 2120</b>	Committee Referral: <b>PDP, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/3/22</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
PDP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)	✓			
2. ELI, Stacelynn K.M. (VC)	✓			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				✓
4. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
5. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
6. WILDBERGER, Tina	✓			
7. WOODSON, Justin H.				✓
8. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
9. WARD, Gene	✓			
<b>TOTAL (9)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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