STAND. COM. REP. NO. **628** -22

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2022

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RE: H.B. No. 2179

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2179 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the Director of Taxation, under certain circumstances, to apply to the circuit court to convert certain tax liens into enforceable civil judgments.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Taxation. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that under existing law, if a delinquent taxpayer deliberately ignores the Department of Taxation's communications and their tax lien remains uncontested, the collection process cannot move forward, thereby making their delinquent tax case uncollectible. This measure will incentivize delinquent taxpayers to proactively respond to tax lien notices and lead to increased tax compliance by allowing the Director of Taxation to seek judicial enforcement of tax liens.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this

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report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2179 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs,

MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2179	Committee Referral: ECD, JHA, FIN	Date:	2-16-	77
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)				
2 MATANOCHI Coot 7 (VC)				
2. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z. (VC)				
3. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
4. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.				
5. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.				
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6. LOWEN, Nicole E.	./.			41 - 1 - 21 - 1 - 73 - 55 - 55 - 55 - 42
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				
8. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.	1			
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.				
10. TODD, Chris				
11. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
12. WARD, Gene				
12. WARD, Gene				
TOTAL (12)	10	Q	<u> </u>	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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