

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

239

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 12 , 2021

RE: H.B. No. 60

H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 60 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reclassify or abolish certain funds consistent with the Auditor's recommendations as reported in *Review of Special Funds, Revolving Funds, Trust Funds, and Trust Accounts of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Report No. 20-18)*.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Public Utilities Commission, Tax Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaiian Electric Company, and State Farm Insurance Company.

Your Committee notes that testimony disagreed with the Auditor over the reclassification of the Insurance Commissioner's Education and Training Fund from a trust fund to a special fund. Testimony notes that the funds in the Commissioner's Education and Training Fund provide benefits to a discrete class of persons by providing essential training to employees in the Insurance Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

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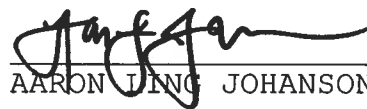
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the reclassification of the Insurance Commissioner's Education and Training Fund;
- (2) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee notes that by abolishing the Electrical Vehicle Charging System Rebate Program Special Fund, the Public Utilities Commission will need funding in excess of the existing ceiling on the Public Utilities Commission Special Fund to accomplish the purpose of the Electrical Vehicle Charging System Rebate Program. Should your Committee on Finance consider this measure, your Committee requests that it consider \$400,000 as an appropriate amount of an increase to accomplish the purpose of the Program.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 60, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 60, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



AARON LING JOHANSON, Chair



