

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3037
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 3037 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GIFTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish procedures for the custody, inventory, and care of protocol gifts received by members of either house of the legislature or other state employees.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Accounting and General Services, State Archives, Hawai'i State Ethics Commission, and Common Cause Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that, from time to time, state officials and employees accept protocol gifts on behalf of the State, or a political body of the State, from foreign officials, federal officers, or state officials from other states. These gifts may symbolize goodwill and strengthen national and international relationships. Your Committee further finds that existing law does not provide adequate guidance or procedures regarding the custody, inventory, and care of protocol gifts. Accordingly, your Committee finds that the rules and guidance provided by this measure will promote government transparency and accountability, while preserving objects of historical significance.



Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3037, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3037, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Government
Operations,


SHARON MORIWAKI, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-First Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Government Operations
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 3037	Committee Referral: GVO, JDC	Date: 02/10/22		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (C)	X			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	X			
CHANG, Stanley	X			
GABBARD, Mike				X
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes