

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2453

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 2022

RE: S.B. No. 3212  
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. 3212 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Office of Enterprise Technology Services to establish a working group to identify state office buildings capable of providing equitable telecommunications access to allow residents of the counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui, and rural areas of the City and County of Honolulu, including all residents with disabilities, to participate remotely in legislative hearings.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Office of Enterprise Technology Services, and Hawai'i Public Health Institute.

Your Committee finds that providing equitable access to the legislative process for nearly four hundred fifty thousand residents on the neighbor islands and all residents with disabilities is a priority to improving the legislative process at the Capitol.



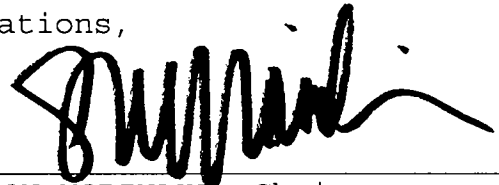
Your Committee further finds that providing access for all residents to participate in the legislative process is a basic right of citizens and should continue to be a priority.

Accordingly, this measure will promote greater participation, accountability, and transparency in the making of laws in Hawaii by establishing a working group to identify suitable locations to provide expanded access options for the people of Hawaii to participate in the law-making process.

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. 3212, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3212, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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**  
**GVO**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 3212	GVO, WAM	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		
<b>TOTAL</b>	3	1		1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<b>Distribution:</b> Original     Yellow     Pink     Goldenrod File with Committee Report     Clerk's Office     Drafting Agency     Committee File Copy				

\*Only one measure per Record of Votes