

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

766

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2023

RE: **FEB 17**
H.B. No. 933
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 933, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH PRINT DISABILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Public Utilities Commission to use Universal Service Fund monies to provide free telecommunications access to certain information for individuals with print disabilities.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Disability and Communication Access Board, National Organization of Parents of Blind Children, National Federation of the Blind of Hawaii, and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Department of Human Services, Public Utilities Commission, and Hawaiian Telcom.

Your Committee finds that access to time-sensitive information, such as certain information in public notices, emergency alerts, job opportunities, and daily newspapers, is vitally important and may be difficult for persons with print disabilities. This measure ensures that persons with print disabilities have timely telephonic access to such information.

2023-1839 HB933 HD1 HSCR HMSO



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. 933, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



HB 933 HDI

Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

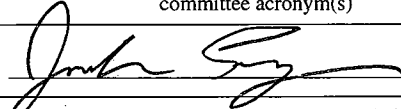
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

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)

CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)	—			
2. SAYAMA, Jackson D. (VC)	—			
3. AMATO, Terez	—			
4. BELATTI, Della Au	—			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	—			
6. HUSSEY-BURDICK, Natalia	—			
7. GATES, Cedric Asuega	—			
8. LOWEN, Nicole E.	—			
9. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	—			
10. TAM, Adrian K.	—			
11. PIERICK, Elijah	—			
TOTAL (11)	11			

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
 If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 

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