

Honolulu, Hawaii
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RE: H.B. No. 2375
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 2375 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FUNDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reinstate the Governor's authority to transfer funds to cope with the effects of natural disasters, for operating purposes, or to supplement the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Firefighter's Contingency Fund.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Budget and Finance, and Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency.

Your Committee finds that this measure grants the Governor the necessary flexibility to respond swiftly and effectively to natural disasters or unexpected emergencies.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2375, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2375, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water & Land,


LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair



