

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 29, 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2582
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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2582 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exclude critical infrastructure information related to the security of critical infrastructure or protected systems from disclosure requirements under the Uniform Information Practices Act.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Law Enforcement; Hawai'i State Energy Office; Honolulu Board of Water Supply; and Hawaiian Electric. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Public First Law Center. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Office of Information Practices and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the State must establish protections for critical infrastructure information that is created, received, or maintained by government agencies to ensure public health and safety. However, your Committee recognizes that there are other measures before the Legislature that provide program-specific confidentiality provisions related to critical



infrastructure information. Thus, your Committee believes that this measure should be narrowly tailored to address only critical infrastructure information related to water supply systems.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting its contents and adopting language proposed by the Office of Information Practices which requires critical infrastructure information required by federal or state law to be collected or maintained by a county board of water supply in connection with a federal or state critical infrastructure security and resilience program to be confidential and not available to the public;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) 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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2582, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2582, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



