

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3072

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 3072 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Temporarily lift various restrictions on the use of funds for Hawaii wildfire response; and
- (2) Extend the lapse date of certain funds set aside for this purpose.

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

Your Committee finds that the State is in the midst of ongoing response efforts to address the heartbreaking aftermath of the August 8, 2023, wildfires in the counties of Hawaii and Maui, which caused extensive loss of life and damage. Your Committee further finds that while hundreds of millions of dollars have been appropriated in response to the fires, current law requiring lapsed funds to return to the general fund could interrupt critical recovery efforts and services due to a lack of available funds until another legislative appropriation is made. This

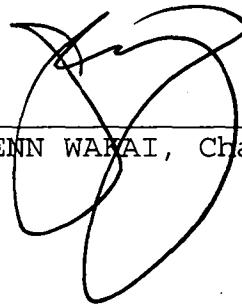


measure will facilitate the continued uninterrupted provision of assistance to wildfire victims and ongoing wildfire recovery efforts.

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 Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3072, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3072, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety and  
Intergovernmental and Military  
Affairs,




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GLENN WAKAI, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Second Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs**  
**PSM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB3072</b>	Committee Referral: <b>PSM, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2/9/24</b>		
<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 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
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓			
RHOADS, Karl	✓			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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