

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3746

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 05 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2352
H.D. 1
S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2352, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Exempt the administrator of the Law Enforcement Standards Board from civil service laws; and
- (2) Clarify membership and certain powers and duties of the Law Enforcement Standards Board and establish new deadlines for the completion of Board responsibilities.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Attorney General and Department of Law Enforcement.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the State of Hawaii Organization of Police Officers.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the ACLU of Hawai'i.



Your Committee finds that the Law Enforcement Standards Board was established by section 139-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the certification of law enforcement officers, including county police officers and officers of the Departments of Law Enforcement, Land and Natural Resources, Taxation, and Attorney General. Your Committee further finds that the Law Enforcement Standards Board must consult and cooperate with the counties, state agencies, other governmental agencies, universities and colleges, and other institutions concerning the development of law enforcement officer training schools and programs. This measure will provide the Law Enforcement Standards Board with more time and resources to accomplish its mission.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting language adding to the membership of the Law Enforcement Standards Board a member selected by the union representing police officers in the State who shall serve for a term of four years;
- (2) Making it effective upon its approval; and
- (3) 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 Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2352, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2352, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,




KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 2352 HD1 SD1	Committee Referral: PSM, JDC	Date: 04/02/24		
<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
RHOADS, Karl (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
AWA, Brenton				✓
TOTAL	4	—	—	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes