

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2908**

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2526
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 Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2526, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to improve the resiliency of state information technology infrastructure.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires the Technology Services Consolidation Working Group to:
 - (A) Assist the Office of Enterprise Technology Services in working with certain state agencies to ensure that critical state information technology systems and data are hosted in a facility with certain redundancy requirements; and
 - (B) Ensure that all consolidated state information technology data facilities possess certain resiliency features; and
- (2) Extends the repeal date of the Technology Services Consolidation Working Group to June 30, 2026.



Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services and Servpac.

Your Committee finds that power outages, cooling system malfunctions, and network disruptions have the potential to disrupt critical state information technology infrastructure, causing major negative repercussions for residents and businesses. Your Committee further finds that ensuring that state information technology and data infrastructure possess certain resiliency and redundancy features will help to prevent downtime and safeguard the availability of critical government services.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the existing reporting requirements in sections 2(d) and (e) of Act 179, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, to reflect the additional reports that the Technology Services Consolidation Working Group is required to submit;
- (2) Changing the effective date to upon its approval; and
- (3) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2526, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2526, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



