

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 2023

RE: S.B. No. 576
S.D. 3

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 576, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to promote openness and transparency in state government.

More specifically, the measure:

- (1) Requires reports of official travel by employees, officers, or other representatives of state departments or agencies to be made available for public review on the Comptroller's website, except for personally identifiable information; and
- (2) Appropriates funds to the Department of Accounting and General Services to implement and manage public access to the travel reports.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Accounting and General Services.

Your Committee finds that the reporting required by this measure will enhance open government, transparency, and accountability by improving public access to this information.




Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that the Judiciary and University of Hawaii are included among the state departments and agencies whose employees or other representatives are required to report official travel;
- (2) Changing the appropriation from \$100,000 to an unspecified amount; 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. 576, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 576, S.D. 3.

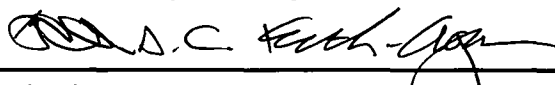
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* SBS76, SD2	Committee Referral: GVD, WAM	Date: 2/28/23		
<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
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	13			
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