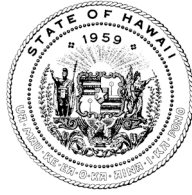


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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024

SENATE BILL 2890 SD1
RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the committees:

The Office of Enterprise Technology Services (ETS) **supports** this bill to build and operate a Capital Improvement Project tracking system.

ETS supports changing the administrative agency for the measure from the Office of Enterprise Technology to the Department of Accounting and General Services.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

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IN REPLY, REFER TO:
OCS 24.1077

February 26, 2024

To: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair,
The Honorable Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair, and
Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2024

Time: 10:01 a.m.

Place: Conference Room 211, State Capitol & Videoconference

From: 
Jovanie Domingo dela Cruz, Executive Director
DLIR – Office of Community Services

Position: Support

Re: S.B. 2787, S.D. 1 – RELATING TO IMMIGRATION

I. OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

This bill would appropriate funds to the Office of Community Services (OCS) to provide for additional dedicated staff and additional program funds to direct OCS to establish an immigration services and access unit (hereinafter, sometimes “ISAU”) within OCS.

The bill would add a section to HRS Chapter 371K, which established OCS, to describe the purpose of the unit as to “promote immigrant economic self-sufficiency, community inclusion, and integration. The immigration services and access unit shall provide statewide services, coordinate with relevant government and nonprofit agencies, and approve contracts with qualified nonprofit organizations to support integration and civic engagement. The immigration services and access unit shall also be responsible for the immigrant resource centers, administration of the refugee program, and management of other programs relating to immigrants.”

The bill would appropriate sums, in amounts to be identified, for the new State fiscal year – FY 2024-2025, which starts on July 1, 2024. The funds would allow for one or more FTE staff in the ISAU plus additional funds for services to be provided by the ISAU. The bill also states that the appropriation is made in accordance with Hawaii State Constitution Art VII and HRS §§37-91 and -93 relating to appropriations that cause the general fund expenditure to be exceeded, and states that the appropriation is in the public interest and the appropriation made in this bill meets the needs addressed by the bill.

II. CURRENT LAW

The Office of Community Services (OCS) is an agency attached to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations. OCS was created by the Legislature by Act 305, SLH 1985, codified as Chapter 371K, Hawai'i Revised Statutes.

The mission of OCS is to eliminate the causes and conditions of poverty for economically disadvantaged persons, immigrants, and refugees in the State of Hawaii, by facilitating and enhancing the development, delivery, and coordination of effective programs for these persons and communities to enable them to achieve and maintain greater economic self-sufficiency and integration into Hawaii's society.

III. COMMENTS ON THE BILL

OCS supports the intent of this bill, provided that appropriations would not replace or adversely impact priorities in the Governor's Executive Budget Request.

S.B. 2787, S.D. 1, would reinforce the mandate that OCS already has pursuant to HRS Chapter 371K. Having a unit dedicated to coordinating and addressing the need of one of OCS's major service populations is very critical to ensuring that these population receives proper government and social services. The need for such coordinated services was highlighted during the recent Maui wildfires. Having the ISAU would help OCS fulfill one of its legislative mandates.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify.

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DLIR – Office of Community Services

Position: Support

Re: S.B. 2890, S.D. 1 – Relating to Capital Improvement Projects

I. OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

S.B. 2890 S.D. 1 would amend HRS Chapter 27 and HRS §103-12 to require the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) to develop or license cloud-based software for use by each State department or agency to track the status of its capital improvement projects. The bill would require DAGS to provide training for the software. The bill would require each department or agency to use the software to track the status of its capital improvement projects. The bill would appropriate funds for this purpose.

II. CURRENT LAW

Currently, the law does not provide for a tracking system for monitoring the status of the State's capital improvement projects.

III. COMMENTS ON THE BILL

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OCS has been tasked by the Legislature to be the expending agency of the State for capital improvement projects that the Legislature has authorized for non-profit organizations under HRS Chapter 42F. We believe that the tracking system proposed in S.B. 2890, S.D. 1, would provide OCS and other State agencies with valuable tools in managing expenditures on capital improvement projects and tracking down the projects especially after the contract closeout and the projects have been completed. Accordingly, OCS supports this bill.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify.