STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii **FEB 2 8** , 2025 RE: H.B. No. 126 H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 126, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY FORFEITURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make the State's property forfeiture process more just by:

- Increasing transparency and accountability surrounding property forfeiture;
- (2) Clarifying which property is subject to forfeiture;
- (3) Amending the authorized disposition of forfeited property and the proceeds thereof; and
- (4) Repealing the provision that requires the Hawaii Omnibus Criminal Forfeiture Act to be construed liberally.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of the Public Defender; Community Alliance on Prisons; and two individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Honolulu Police Department. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General; Department of the Prosecuting



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Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu; and Grassroot Institute of Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 126, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-third Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Re		Date		~
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□ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold					
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
FIN Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)		1			
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)		/			
3. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada		1			
4. HOLT, Daniel		/			
5. HUSSEY, Ikaika		1			
6. KEOHOKAPU-LEE LOY, Sue I	٠.	/			
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa		1			
8. KUSCH, Matthias					
9. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.		1			
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13. TEMPLO, Shirley Ann	Alanae -	1			ク
14. ALCOS III, David	will a second the second second to all		-	V ^A -	
15. REYES ODA, Julie					
16. WARD, Gene					
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TOTAL (16)		12		D	ر
The recommendation is: Adopted I Not Adopted					
If joint referral, da not support recommendation.					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature					
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