

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

734

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14

, 2025

RE: H.B. No. 394
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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 394 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE VICTIM
WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds as a grant-in-aid to the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu for the Victim Witness Assistance Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee finds that the funding provided by this measure will help guide victims, witnesses, and surviving family members through the criminal justice system.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

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Your Committee respectfully requests your Committee on Finance, should it deliberate on this measure, to consider an appropriation amount of \$736,785 for fiscal year 2025-2026.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 394, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 394, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Tarnas", written over a horizontal line.

DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



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Bill/Resolution No.: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">HB394</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">JHA, FIN</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">02/07/2025</div>			
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pass, unamended (as is)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pass, with amendments (HD)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hold
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				

JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. COCHRAN, Elle				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
6. KAHALOA, Kirstin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
7. PERRUSO, Amy A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
9. TODD, Chris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
10. GARCIA, Diamond	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
11. SHIMIZU, Garner M.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
TOTAL (11)	<div style="font-size: 1.5em;">9</div>	<div style="font-size: 1.5em;">0</div>	<div style="font-size: 1.5em;">0</div>	<div style="font-size: 1.5em;">2</div>

The recommendation is: ☒ Adopted ☐ Not Adopted

If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
committee acronym(s) _____

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____

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