

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 830
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 Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 830
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION
REVIEWS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of
Land and Natural Resources to contract its review of proposed
state projects, projects on privately owned historic property, and
projects affecting historic properties to third-party consultants
if the Department is unable to complete its review within sixty
days.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Mayor of the County of Maui; NAIOP Hawaii; Hawai'i
Association of REALTORS; Grassroot Institute of Hawaii; and Maui
Chamber of Commerce. Your Committee received comments on this
measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and
Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-
CIO.

Your Committee finds that the historic preservation review
process needs to streamline the timeliness of its reviews and
decisions. Your Committee notes that the use of third-party
consultants may not be feasible for the Department of Land and

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Natural Resources if the State Historic Preservation Division is required to cover the expenses associated with contracting with the third party.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Authorizing the State Historic Preservation Division to assess the costs of retaining a third-party consultant to the applicable project proponent;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 830, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 830, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Water & Land.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Housing,

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LUKE A. EVSLIN, Chair



