STAND. COM. REP. NO. 357

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 2 2025

RE: S.B. No. 338 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor and Technology, to which was referred S.B. No. 338 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2025:

- (1) Temporarily reinstate the Technology Infrastructure Renovation Tax Credit; and
- (2) Expand the definition of "technology-enabled infrastructure" to include data servers.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Servpac, Charter Communications, and Hawaiian Telecom.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Taxation and Tax Foundation of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that investment in local data center infrastructure is needed to fuel the State's economy and expand the high-tech sector. Local development will reduce reliance on the continental United States and enhance resilience in the event of global supply chain disruptions. This measure incentivizes this progress by temporarily reinstating the Technology

Infrastructure Renovation Tax Credit and including data centers in its applicable uses.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Taxation to submit a report to the Legislature before the Regular Session of 2029 on the collection of the Technology Infrastructure Renovation Tax Credit;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor and Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 338, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 338, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Labor and Technology,

HENRY J. AQUINO Chair

The Senate Thirty-Third Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Labor and Technology LBT

Bill / Resolution No.:* りB358	Committee Referral: LBT, WAM		Da	Date: 2/1/25	
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
AQUINO, Henry J.C. (C)		*			
LEE, Chris (VC)		۶			
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes