

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2028

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2028, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Exempt personal income tax income and general excise tax income in an amount up to an unspecified percentage of the costs of construction and operation of projects entered into under a public-private partnership with the Employees' Retirement System to improve water infrastructure or water supply, or to promote clean energy; and
- (2) Authorize the Employees' Retirement System to invest in such projects.

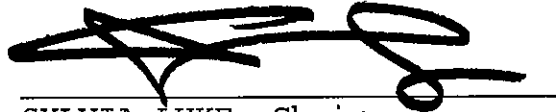
The United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, and AFL-CIO provided testimony in opposition to the measure. The Employees' Retirement System, Department of Taxation, Hawaii Fresh Water Initiative, Hawaii Green Growth, and Tax Foundation of Hawaii provided comments.

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. 2028, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

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SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



