

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

432

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 2017

RE: S.B. No. 888
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 888 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make an appropriation to satisfy several claims against the State, its officers, or its employees, including claims for legislative relief, judgments against the State, settlements, and other miscellaneous claims.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Attorney General.

Your Committee finds that this measure requests a total of \$652,602.09 in appropriations from the general fund to satisfy eleven claims against the State, a total of \$5,552,020.44 in appropriations from the state highway fund to satisfy three claims against the State, and a total of \$116,000.00 in appropriations from the harbor special fund to satisfy one claim against the State. The grand total for the fifteen claims settled in this measure as received by your Committee is \$6,320,622.53. Timely passage of this measure will minimize the State's obligation to pay interest on those amounts.



Your Committee notes the written testimony submitted by the Department of the Attorney General, which requests the addition of two new claims that have been resolved since this measure was introduced. The addition of these two new claims results in a total of \$1,671,102.09 in appropriations needed from the general fund.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding general fund appropriations for two claims totaling \$1,018,500, as requested by the Department of the Attorney General, which increases the grand total of appropriations in this measure to \$7,339,122.53 in order to satisfy a total of seventeen claims against the State, its officers, or its employees;
- (2) Correcting the subtotal amount of appropriations from the general fund to satisfy the claims involving the Department of Public Safety to \$563,000.00;
- (3) Inserting an effective date of January 7, 2059, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) 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 Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 888, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 888, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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


GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary and Labor
JDL

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 888	Committee Referral: JDL, WAM	Date: 2/13/17		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (C)	✓			
RHOADS, Karl (VC)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado				✓
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center;"><i>Karl Rhoads</i></div>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes