Honolulu, Hawaii
MAR 04 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 2421 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2421 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WOMEN'S COURT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a three-year Women's Court Pilot Program in the First Circuit of the Judiciary to implement trauma-informed and evidence-based practices, employ gender-responsive programming, collaborate with stakeholders, and provide services to women in the court system;
- (2) Appropriate funds for equipment; mental health, substance abuse treatment, and other services; and the establishment of seven temporary positions for the Pilot Program; and
- (3) Require the Judiciary to submit annual reports on the Pilot Program throughout its duration.

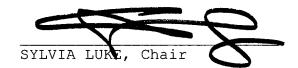
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Judiciary, Department of Human Services, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu, Hawaii State Bar Association, Hawaii Health & Harm Reduction Center, Women's Prison Project, and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Making the appropriation amounts, including amounts per position, unspecified; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2421, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2421, H.D. 1.

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



State of Hawaii



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: Committee	FINL	Date:	-24-2	2
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	/			
2. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (VC)				
3. BRANCO, Patrick Pihana				
4. ELI, Stacelynn K.M.				
5. HOLT, Daniel				-
6. ILAGAN, Greggor				
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
8. MARTEN, Lisa				
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
10. PERRUSO, Amy A.				
11. SAYAMA, Jackson D.				
12. TAM, Adrian K.				
13. TODD, Chris				1 1
14. WILDBERGER, Tina				
15. McDERMOTT, Bob			V	
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TOTAL (15)	14			
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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