

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 660

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 660 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify that the circuit courts have jurisdiction over actions for impeachment of county officers that are subject to impeachment.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Ethics Commission of the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee finds that this measure is necessary to validate the various county ordinances relating to appeals of county impeachment cases. Currently, counties enact ordinances to provide for an appeals process to the courts in impeachment cases. However, only the Legislature has authority to enact laws to specify the jurisdiction of the courts.

The intent of this measure is to facilitate the enactment of valid county ordinances providing for an impeachment process applicable to county officials.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 660, and recommends that it pass



Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.


Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Intergovernmental  
and Military Affairs,

  
LORRAINE R. INOUYE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
 State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs**  
**IGM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB660</b>	Committee Referral: <b>IGM, JDL</b>	Date: <b>2/11/08</b>		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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