REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

Voting Members:
Val A. Okimoto, Chair; Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair;
Radiant Cordero, Esther Kia'āina, Augie Tulba, Tommy Waters

Committee Meeting Held
July 14, 2026

Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Budget, which considered Bill 50 (2026) entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO FUNDS,"

introduced on July 1, 2026, and which passed first reading at the July 8, 2026 Council meeting, reports as follows:

The purpose of the bill is to amend provisions related to the Land Conservation Fund. Specifically, the bill repeals Chapter 6, Article 59, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("Land Conservation Fund"), effective July 1, 2028.

At your Committee's meeting on July 14, 2026, Andrew Kawano, Director of Budget and Fiscal Services, provided comments on the bill.

Your Committee received written testimony in support from Grassroot Institute of Hawai'i.

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Your Committee on Budget is in accord with the intent and purpose of Bill 50 (2026), and recommends that it pass second reading, be scheduled for a public hearing, and be referred back to Committee. (Ayes: Cordero, Kia'āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Waters – 5; Noes: None; Absent: Tulba – 1.)

Respectfully submitted,

Val A. Okimoto

Committee Chair

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