

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 3, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2641
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2641, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that fair labor practices are used in all projects in which the government is involved by:

- (1) Requiring a construction project owner (owner) who undertakes a construction project for structures to be used by the State or a county to sign a lease or other agreement that certifies compliance with the State's public works prevailing wage law;
- (2) Requiring the owner to submit copies of the lease or other agreement to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR);
- (3) Requiring the owner to submit certified payrolls to the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS); and
- (4) Defining an "indirect public works project" as any project, including development of any housing pursuant to section 46-15 or Chapter 201G, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), and development, construction,



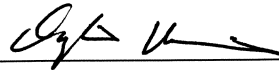
renovation, and maintenance related to refurbishment of any real or personal property that has or will have received a government benefit.

The Hawaii Carpenters Union testified in support of this bill. DLIR, DAGS, the Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii, Department of Community Services of the City and County of Honolulu, Concept Construction, Inc., and Honua Landscaping, Inc., opposed this measure. The Associated Builders and Contractors Hawaii Chapter offered comments.

Your Committee notes that a reference to section 201H, HRS, may also need to be included in the definition of "indirect public works project."

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. 2641, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



