

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 13, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1081

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns,
to which was referred H.B. No. 1081 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to strengthen State enforcement of the prevailing wage law by allowing a joint labor-management committee to bring civil actions against employers who fail to pay the prevailing wage to employees.

The Hawaii Carpenters Union supported this bill. The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations commented.

Your Committee finds that under current law, an aggrieved laborer or mechanic, or their representative, can bring an action to recover unpaid wages under the prevailing wage law. This bill would also allow national labor-management committees to bring actions against any contractor that is subject to the prevailing wage law.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1081 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Business
Concerns,



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



