

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1171

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1500
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1500, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to adjust the benefit amounts paid to employees from the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and the contribution rates for employers.

The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii and the Retail Merchants of Hawaii testified in support of this measure. The Hawaii State AFL-CIO supported the intent of this bill. The ILWU Local 142 and Society for Human Resource Management-Hawaii Chapter testified in opposition to the measure. The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Department of the Attorney General, and National Federation of Independent Businesses submitted comments on the measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Reducing the adequate reserve fund amount after 2007;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2007; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

HB1500 HD2 HSCR FIN HMS 2007-2822



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. 1500, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1500, H.D. 2.

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

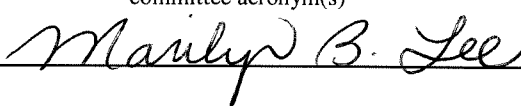

MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1500 HD1		Date: 2/27/07		
Committee Referral: LAB, FIN		<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. BROWER, Tom	✓			
5. CARROLL, Mele	✓			
6. CHONG, Pono	✓			
7. HANOHANO, Faye P.	✓			
8. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
9. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	✓			
10. MANAHAN, Joey	✓			
11. MIZUNO, John	✓			
12. NAKASONE, Bob	✓			
13. RHOADS, Karl	✓			
14. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓			
15. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
16. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
17. MEYER, Colleen Rose		X		
18. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	✓			
TOTAL	17	1	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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