

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 27, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 30
H.D. 2
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

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

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 30, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to protect Hawaii's interests in international trade agreements by prohibiting the Governor from entering into any trade agreement without the approval of the Legislature through concurrent resolution adopted by a majority vote of the Senate and House of Representatives. If the Legislature is not in session, the Governor is required to notify the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives and allow the Legislature to consider of approval of the procurement provisions in a special session.



Your Committee on Conference has amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that the Legislature may, but is not required to convene a special session to consider approval of the procurement provisions;
- (2) Clarifying that the Governor may not approve a trade agreement without legislative approval by a way of a concurrent resolution; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 30, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 30, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



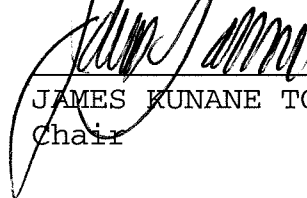
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