

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 918

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 987
H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 987, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to help alleviate the growing unemployment rate by creating the State Comprehensive Employment and Training Program (program) to:

- (1) Assist unemployed persons who have used all available unemployment insurance benefits to obtain employment in needed public service jobs; and
- (2) Provide subsidies for certain private employers who participate in the program by hiring and training qualified unemployed persons.

The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) opposed this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion;
- (2) Specifying that the director of DLIR is to report to the legislature twenty days before the convening of each



regular session on the implementation and administration of the program; and

- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 987, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 987, H.D. 2.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



