

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 2009

RE: H.B. No. 987
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Labor, to which was referred H.B. No. 987,
H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a State Comprehensive Employment and Training Program to provide unemployed persons who have exhausted all available unemployment insurance benefits with opportunities for employment in public service jobs, related training, and assistance in finding temporary full-time or part-time employment; and
- (2) Provide subsidies to certain private employers for participating in employment programs to train and permanently hire unemployed persons.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by one organization. Testimony in opposition to this measure was submitted by one state agency. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that immediate action is necessary to alleviate the high unemployment situation in the State. Your Committee further finds that establishing a statewide employment and training program and providing subsidies to private employers



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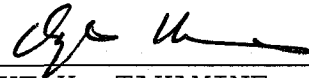
to provide training and hire unemployed workers would effectively equip workers with the skills and opportunities they need to gain permanent employment.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to the latter of July 1, 2050 (rather than July 1, 2020), or the date upon which the Governor publishes a notice that the seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate has exceeded seven per cent; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 987, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 987, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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




DWIGHT Y. TAKAMINE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fifth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

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HB987 HD2	LBR, WAM	3-24-09		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)	✓			
BUNDA, Robert				✓
HEE, Clayton				✓
SLOM, Sam		✓		
TOTAL	2	1	0	2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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