

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 1, 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2175
S.D. 1
H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2175, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that the effects of proposed Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund benefit changes on the counties' employees, retirees, workplace, and finances are adequately considered by the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund Board (Board) by requiring that one of the five seats on the Board allocated to public employers is occupied by a member appointed by the Hawaii Council of Mayors to represent the interests of all four counties.

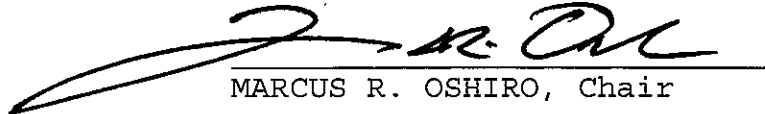
The Hawaii Council of Mayors testified in support of this bill. The Department of Budget and Finance and Department of Human Resources Development opposed this measure. The Hawaii Government Employees' Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO and a concerned individual provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.



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 S.B. No. 2175, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2175, S.D. 1, H.D. 2.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



