

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1085

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 2011

RE: H.B. No. 814
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 814, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to reduce the expenses of the State and the counties for the group life insurance benefits of retired and active public employees.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Limits group life insurance benefits to only retired employees who retired before July 1, 2011;
- (2) Eliminates annual adjustments of the monthly contributions for the group life insurance benefits of retirees; and
- (3) Eliminates the negotiability of group life insurance contributions for active employees.

Your Committee received comments in support of this measure from Michael Hansen, Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, and Noel Ono, Department of Human Resources; City and County of Honolulu.



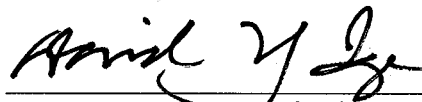
Your Committee received comments in opposition to this measure from Randy Perreira, Executive Director, Hawaii Government Employees Association.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from Kalbert K. Young, Director, Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that the long-term cost saving initiative proposed in this measure will help to alleviate the significant benefits liabilities faced by the State and the counties.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 814, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 814, HD1, SD1	JDL, WAM	4-1-11		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				/
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KAHELE, Gilbert	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				/
RYAN, Pohai	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	11	0	0	3
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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