

Honolulu, Hawaii

Jan 30 , 2012

RE: H.B. No. 1698

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 1698 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO QUALIFIED COMMUNITY
REHABILITATION PROGRAMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve government efficiency by removing the Department of Human Resources Development's requirement to submit annual reports on the expenditures of qualified community rehabilitation programs to the Legislature.

The Department of Human Resources Development testified in support of this measure.

Act 213, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008, modified a statutory exemption from civil service that was made applicable to the counties of Maui, Hawaii, and Kauai and established a higher monetary threshold for certain contract services with qualified community rehabilitation programs. Act 213 also required the Department of Human Resources Development to submit annual reports to the Legislature regarding the expenditures of these programs and their related activities. However, the Department of Human Resources Development only administers the human resources program for the State. County personnel directors are the chief administrators of their respective county human resource programs. Thus, information about county expenditures for their qualified

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community rehabilitation programs is not available to the Department of Human Resources Development. As Hawaii law does not permit the Executive Branch of the State to contract with qualified community rehabilitation programs, and information from the counties is not available, the Department of Human Resources Development never has any information to report to the Legislature. This measure addresses this issue.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1698 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Labor & Public
Employment,



KARL RHOADS, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment


Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1698	Committee Referral: LAB, FIN	Date: 1-24-2012
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. RHOADS, Karl (C)	/			
2. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (VC)	/			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	/			
4. CULLEN, Ty	/			
5. ICHIYAMA, Linda	/			
6. LEE, Marilyn B.	/			
7. LUKE, Sylvia	/			
8. OKAMURA, Tom	/			
9. SAIKI, Scott K.	/			
10. SOUKI, Joseph M.	/			
11. TAKUMI, Roy M.	/			
12. FONTAINE, George R.	/			
13. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
TOTAL (13)	13			

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
 If joint referral, _____ committee acronym(s) did not support recommendation.

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 

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