

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1457-12

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 3, 2012

RE: H.C.R. No. 45
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 45 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE REGULATION OF AIR CONDITIONING PIPEFITTERS, FIRE SPRINKLER TECHNICIANS, AND SOLAR TECHNICIANS, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Auditor to conduct a sunrise review of the regulation of air conditioning pipefitters, fire sprinkler technicians, and solar technicians as proposed under an unidentified House Bill.

The General Contractors Association of Hawaii opposed this measure. The Board of Electricians and Plumbers and the Plumbers and Fitters Union, Local 675, submitted comments.

After careful consideration, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the term "air conditioning pipefitter" to the term "plumber air conditioning and refrigeration pipefitter" throughout the measure, including its title;
- (2) Changing the term "fire sprinkler technician" to the term "plumber fire sprinkler pipefitter" throughout the measure, including its title;


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- (3) Changing the term "solar technician" to the term "plumber solar-thermal technician" throughout the measure, including its title;
- (4) Removing references to the unidentified House Bill and to section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (5) Adding a reference to the applicable codes published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials that detail the scope of work and qualifications for a plumber air conditioning and refrigeration pipefitter, plumber fire sprinkler pipefitter, and plumber solar-thermal technician; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 45, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Legislative Management in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 45, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ROBERT N. HERKES, Chair



