

NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

June 14, 2013

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 14, 2013, the following bill was signed into law:

HB924 HD1 SD2 CD1

RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING **ACT 098 (13)**

NET ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 098

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 89, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
- 3 read as follows:
- 4 "589- Hearing notice. Notwithstanding section 91-9.5,
- 5 in any hearing conducted by the board, all parties shall be
- 6 given written notice of the hearing by first class mail at least
- 7 fifteen days before the scheduled date of the hearing."
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 89-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended as follows:
- 10 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:
- 11 "(a) The employer and the exclusive representative shall
- 12 meet at reasonable times, including meetings sufficiently in
- 13 advance of the February 1 impasse date under section 89-11, and
- 14 shall negotiate in good faith with respect to wages, hours, the
- 15 amounts of contributions by the State and respective counties to
- 16 the Hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund to the
- 17 extent allowed in subsection (e), and other terms and conditions
- 18 of employment which are subject to collective bargaining and



- 1 which are to be embodied in a written agreement as specified in
- 2 section 89-10, but such obligation does not compel either party
- 3 to agree to a proposal or make a concession[; provided that the
- 4 parties may not negotiate with respect to cost items as defined
- 5 by section 89 2 for the biennium 1999 to 2001, and the cost
- 6 items of employees in bargaining units under section 89 6 in
- 7 effect on June 30, 1999, shall remain in effect until July 1,
- 8 2001]."
- 9 2. By amending subsection (e) to read:
- 10 "(e) Negotiations relating to contributions to the Hawaii
- 11 employer-union health benefits trust fund shall be for the
- 12 purpose of agreeing upon the amounts which the State and
- 13 counties shall contribute under section [87-47] 87A-32, toward
- 14 the payment of the costs for a health benefits plan, as defined
- 15 in section [87 1(8),] 87A-1, and group life insurance benefits,
- 16 and the parties shall not be bound by the amounts contributed
- 17 under prior agreements; provided that section 89-11 for the
- 18 resolution of disputes by way of arbitration shall not be
- 19 available to resolve impasses or disputes relating to the
- 20 amounts the State and counties shall contribute to the Hawaii
- 21 employer-union health benefits trust fund."

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- 1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 14 day of

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GOVERNOR-OF THE STATE OF HAWAII