

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

440

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 1172

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Labor & Public Employment and Public Safety, to which was referred H.B. No. 1172 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a new collective bargaining unit to represent first responder employees, including state law enforcement officers and state and county ocean safety and water safety officers, within the State and Counties.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Hawaii Government Employees Association, State Sheriff Division, City and County of Honolulu Emergency Services Department, Visitor Aloha Society of Hawai'i, North Shore Lifeguard Association, Hawaiian Lifeguard Association, Kaua'i Fire Department, Ocean Safety Windward, East Hawaii Ocean Safety, Big Island Lifeguard Association, Kauai Lifeguard Association, and numerous concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Public Safety supported the intent of this measure. A few concerned individuals opposed this measure. The Department of Budget and Finance provided comments.



Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the name of the new unit from "first responders including state law enforcement officers and state and county ocean safety and water safety officers" to "state law enforcement officers and state and county ocean safety and water safety officers" for clarity; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Labor & Public Employment and Public Safety that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1172, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1172, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Labor & Public  
Employment and Public Safety,

  
HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair

  
MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair





