

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1246

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 2013

RE: H.B. No. 919

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 919 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to enable the State to further implement its work experience training and temporary public service employment programs.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Expands the exemption from the state civil service laws for temporary public service employment to include work experience training and limits the exemption to those persons entering the workforce or transitioning into other careers under specified federal or state programs; and
- (2) Exempts persons described in paragraph (1) from automatic disqualification from public employment based upon a controlled substance-related offense.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

Your Committee finds that participants who complete work experience training will be better equipped to compete for jobs, thereby reducing or eliminating reliance upon public benefits such as unemployment insurance and welfare assistance. Furthermore,



because criminal offenders are less likely to return to prison if they are working, work experience training contributes toward lower recidivism rates.

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. 919, 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-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 919	JDL, WAM	3-27-13		
<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	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
SLOM, Sam			✓	
TOTAL	11	0	1	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Michelle N. - Kalani</div>				
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