

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1443

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 4, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 890
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred S.B. No. 890, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII LABOR RELATIONS BOARD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the efficiency of the Hawaii Labor Relations Board by authorizing the Governor to appoint an acting member, with certain restrictions, to serve on the Hawaii Labor Relations Board in the event that a regular board member is temporarily unable to act due to recusal.

The Department of the Attorney General; Hawaii Labor Relations Board; and United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO supported this measure. The Hawaii Government Employees Association and Hawaii State Teachers Association opposed this bill. A concerned individual provided comments.

Your Committee notes that the Department of the Attorney General suggested that the acting member appointed represent the same category as the regular member who is temporarily unable to act due to absence from the State, recusal, or illness.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the Governor's authority to appoint an acting member to serve on the Hawaii Labor Relations Board in the event that a regular member is temporarily unable to act due to absence from the State, recusal, or illness and instead providing this authority to the Chief Justice; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2113, to encourage further discussion.

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 S.B. No. 890, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 890, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



