

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 28, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1639  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1639 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNLICENSED CONTRACTOR FRAUD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify, for purposes of establishing the offense of unlicensed contractor fraud, that the "intent to deprive" another of their property may be formed before or after the person obtains or exerts control over the property.

The Regulated Industries Complaints Office of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Maui; Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu; Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Kauai; Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Hawaii; Contractors License Board; Hawaii Laborers' Union, Local 368; and the Subcontractors' Association testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1639, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1639, H.D. 1.

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Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Judiciary,

*Karl Rhoads*

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KARL RHOADS, Chair



