

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 899
S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 899 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING COST ITEMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to provide a legislative vehicle to appropriate unspecified employer contribution amounts to cover Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund health benefit plan premiums for public employees in collective bargaining unit (6) and their excluded counterparts for fiscal biennium 2013-2015.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance and Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO.

Your Committee finds that the negotiations for collective bargaining agreements for bargaining unit (6) are currently in progress. This measure provides a legislative vehicle that can be used if an agreement is reached or an arbitration award is issued prior to the end of the 2013 Regular Session.

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



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 899, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 899, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



