

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 29, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2247
H.D. 1
S.D. 2
C.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2247, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENTAL TRAVEL,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the State and counties to pay the approved travel costs incurred by their officers and employees for official State or county business, either directly to the vendor or by cash advance to the officer or employee, unless otherwise provided by a collective bargaining agreement.

Your Committee on Conference is addressing the problem faced by many public employees when they are required to pay for official business out of their own funds and wait to be reimbursed. While waiting to be reimbursed, government employees face financial difficulties.



Your Committee on Conference has amended the bill by:

- (1) Permitting the State or county to make payment directly to the officer or employee unless the officer or employee affirmatively consents to loan the State or county the money for the travel costs and be reimbursed after the officer or employee pays for the travel costs; provided that the employer shall not take adverse employment action against an officer or employee who does not affirmatively consent to the arrangement; and
- (2) Making this measure effective on July 1, 2016.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2247, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2247, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.

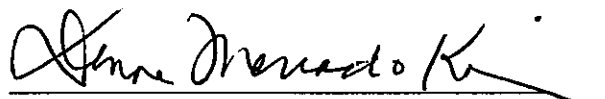
Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE


GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN,
Chair


KARL RHOADS, Co-Chair


DONNA MERCADO KIM, Co-Chair


AARON LING JOHNSON, Co-Chair


BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Co-Chair



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Conference Committee

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

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Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C., Chr.	✓				RHOADS, Karl, Co-Chr.	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado, Co-Chr.	✓				JOHANSON, Aaron Ling, Co-Chr.	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T., Co-Chr.	✓				KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	✓			
					TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				✓
TOTAL	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	TOTAL	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>

A = Aye WR = Aye with Reservations N = Nay E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:
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