

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 17, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2605
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 2605 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support workers affected by the closure of the Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company on Maui by appropriating funds to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish, administer, and support on-the-job training for dislocated workers.

The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Mayor of Maui County; a Maui County Councilmember; County of Maui Department of Management; County of Maui Office of Economic Development; Hawaii State AFL-CIO; Hawaii Farm Bureau; Hawai'i Construction Alliance; Alexander & Baldwin, Inc.; United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO; Maui County Farm Bureau; Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; ILWU Local 142; Maui Chamber of Commerce; and several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2091, to encourage further discussion.



Should the Committee on Finance further deliberate on this measure, your Committee respectfully requests inserting an appropriation amount of \$850,000.

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 H.B. No. 2605, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2605, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



