

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2717**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2556
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2556 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE ANNUAL REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION FOR THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate general funds for the annual required contribution to the Hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund.

Your Committee finds that section 11 of Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2013, requires the State, as the public employer, to make escalating annual required contributions in fiscal years 2014-2015 to 2018-2019 to reduce the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund's unfunded actuarial accrued liability. Your Committee further finds that this measure provides a vehicle to appropriate funds for the annual required contribution for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, which is established as at least sixty per cent of the annual required contributions or \$744,000,000. Your Committee further finds that a contribution in excess or the

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minimum amount will further help to reduce the total actuarial accrued liability.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2556, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2556, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,

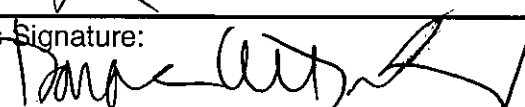


JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2556	Committee Referral: SDL, WAM	Date: 7/21/16		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				/
HARIMOTO, Breene				
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				/
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	8			3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes