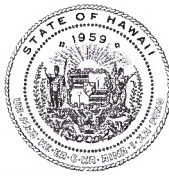


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ON
SENATE BILL NO. 2293

February 2, 2016, 1:15 p.m.

RELATING TO OPEN GOVERNMENT

Chair Mercado Kim, Vice Chair Ihara, and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund (EUTF) Board of Trustees has not had an opportunity to take a position on this bill. However, the Committee should be aware that the bill would create some challenges for the EUTF staff, specifically, the requirement to allow public inspection of the documents, reports and proposals under consideration at the meeting at the time the agenda is made available to the public (i.e. posted).

EUTF staff attempt to have all of the materials for the meeting ready when the agenda is posted. However, there are times when all of the materials are not ready and are prepared within the six days prior to the meeting. In all cases, hard copies of the public materials are made available to the public on the day of the meeting. Requiring that the materials be available at the time of posting of agenda could potentially affect the timely decision-making of the board. The EUTF attempts to be descriptive when

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