

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 10, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 627

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business, to which was referred H.B. No. 627 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize and fund the position of state public-private partnership coordinator under the Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to manage public-private partnership matters entered into by the State, and associated contracts, proposals, and negotiations.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, and Building Industry Association of Hawaii supported this bill.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the effective date to July 1, 2038, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

Should the Committee on Finance deliberate this measure further, your Committee on Economic Development & Business respectfully requests that it consider appropriating \$500,000 for four permanent state public-private partnership coordinator



positions in the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to meet the Department's expectations for potential partnerships.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 627, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 627, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Business,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



