

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 919
S.D. 1
H.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

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

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 919, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS,"

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 provide a legislative vehicle to fund public sector collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments, other cost adjustments, and Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund (EUTF) costs for public employees in collective bargaining unit (7) and their excluded counterparts for fiscal biennium 2017-2019.

Your Committee on Conference finds that Governor's Message No. 14 dated April 27, 2017, reflects the tentative agreement between public employers and the University of Hawaii Professional Assembly (UHPA) and the parties' intent to execute a supplemental agreement concerning collective bargaining unit (7) EUTF contribution amounts.



Your Committee on Conference also finds that Governor's Message No. 13 dated April 27, 2017, reflects the tentative agreement between public employers and the United Public Workers (UPW) and the parties' intent to execute a supplemental agreement concerning collective bargaining units (1) and (10) EUTF contribution amounts. This measure provides a legislative vehicle to fund the collectively bargained terms that were agreed upon.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting language to reflect the tentative agreements with UHPA concerning collective bargaining unit (7) EUTF contribution amounts and with UPW concerning collective bargaining units (1) and (10) EUTF contribution amounts;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2017; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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 S.B. No. 919, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 919, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.


Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:


ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE


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