

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2467  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 2467 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure, as received by your Committee, is to require state projects to be designed and constructed using an alternative building code that is more cost effective than the Hawaii State Building Codes, subject to certain conditions, including consideration of public safety and health.

The Hawaii Laborers-Employers Cooperation and Education Trust, Hawaii Laborers Union Local 368, and Hawai'i Construction Alliance testified in support of this measure. Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors Association of Hawaii, American Institute of Architects Hawaii State Council, International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, Electrical Contractors Association of Hawai'i, and National Electrical Contractors Association opposed this measure. The Department of Accounting and General Services commented on this measure.

After careful consideration, your Committee has amended this measure by deleting its contents and inserting provisions that:

- (1) Require the Legislative Reference Bureau to:



- (A) Conduct a study on the factors that contribute to the costs of construction projects in the State; and
  - (B) Submit the study, including findings and recommendations, to the Legislature prior to the 2019 Regular Session; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to the Legislative Reference Bureau to conduct the study.

This measure includes a January 1, 2050, effective date to encourage further discussion.

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. 2467, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2467, 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,

  
AARON LING JOHANSON, Chair



