

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 762-20

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2314

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 2314 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
DISABILITY RETIREMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the definitions and requirements to qualify for Employees' Retirement System service-connected disability and accidental death benefits.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance and Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees.

Your Committee finds that courts have rendered rulings that awarded service-connected disability retirement or accidental death benefits beyond a plain reading of the Legislature's original intent. This measure seeks to address any perceived ambiguity.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and

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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2314, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2314, 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



