

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2251

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2251 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to move state and county ocean safety and water safety officers into a new collective bargaining unit separate from state law enforcement officers.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Human Resources, City and County of Honolulu; Hawaii Government Employees Association; Hawaiian Lifeguard Association; and sixteen individuals.

Your Committee finds that state and county ocean safety and water safety officers are currently assigned to the same collective bargaining unit as state law enforcement officers. Your Committee believes that this combination is impractical, given the vastly different skill sets required of these two different types of employees. Accordingly, your Committee believes that both state law enforcement officers and state and county ocean safety and water safety officers would be better served through separate bargaining units.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your



Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B.
No. 2251 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



