

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1453

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 25 , 2021

RE: S.B. No. 678

S.D. 1

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 678, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require that the representative of labor on the Hawaii Labor Relations Board be a person selected by a majority of the exclusive representatives of the collective bargaining units; and
- (2) Establish procedures for the appointment and removal of the representative of labor from the Hawaii Labor Relations Board.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; United Public Workers, AFSCME Local 646, AFL-CIO; and Hawaii State Teachers Association. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Office of Collective Bargaining.

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Your Committee finds that providing a single name to the Governor that has been vetted by the exclusive representatives, with a clear timeframe for the name to be transmitted to the Senate for consideration as well as a default process for Senate confirmation if the deadline is missed, ensures greater fairness, predictability, and transparency in the appointment process. This measure will also provide a process for removing an ineffective labor representative, which is essential to the efficient functioning of the Hawaii Labor Relations Board.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 678, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,


MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



