

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 27 , ²⁰²⁵

RE: H.B. No. 477 H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 477, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- Repeal the statutory requirement to post work availability online;
- (2) Amend eligibility qualifications for certain unemployment benefits;
- (3) Beginning April 1, 2027, permit electronic notification of determinations or redeterminations of unemployment claims; and
- (4) Remove language that limited an individual's ability to change a previously elected withholding status only once during a benefit year.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.



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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 477, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-third Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

	e Referral:	Dat	e: 2 2 1 25	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)				
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)				
3. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada	1			
4. HOLT, Daniel	/			
5. HUSSEY, Ikaika				
6. KEOHOKAPU-LEE LOY, Sue L.				
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa	1			
8. KUSCH, Matthias	/			
9. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.				
10. LEE, Mike				
11. MIYAKE, Tyson K.	/			
12. MORIKAWA, Dee				/
13. TEMPLO, Shirley Ann				
14. ALCOS III, David	na si ma 1979 na sa			
15. REYES ODA, Julie	1			
16. WARD, Gene		-		
TOTAL (16)	12	0	0	Ý
The recommendation is: Adopted INot Adopted				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
committee aeronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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