

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

476

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15, 2023

RE: H.B. No. 161
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 161, 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 require the representative of labor on the Hawaii Labor Relations Board to be a person selected by a majority of the exclusive representatives of the collective bargaining units.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; State of Hawaii Organization of Police Officers; 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. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that the existing appointment process for the Hawaii Labor Relations Board does not provide the exclusive representatives of the collective bargaining units enough power in selecting their representative of labor. This measure would redistribute some of the power from the Governor to the exclusive representatives to allow them to nominate their

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preferred candidate to represent state and county government employees in Hawaii.

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 H.B. No. 161, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

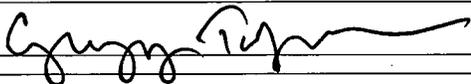
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 161, HD 1	Committee Referral: LGO, JHA, FIN	Date: 2/19/2023		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)	✓			
2. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (VC)	✓			
3. GANADEN, Sonny	✓			
4. HOLT, Daniel	✓			
5. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	✓			
6. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
7. ILAGAN, Greggor	✓			
8. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
9. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
10. SOUZA, Kanani	✓			
TOTAL (10)	10	—	—	—
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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