STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3460

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 7 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2211

H.D. 1 S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2211, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to repeal the definition of "day" and "days" from the workers' compensation law.

Your Committee finds that the statutory definition defines "days" as working days, eliminating the possibility that "days" could also be interpreted, depending on the situation, as calendar days. Such an inflexible approach to the seemingly simple idea of a "day" has resulted in the delay of payments and treatments to injured workers.

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 H.B. No. 2211, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chai

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Ways and Means (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:*	Committee Referral: Date:			
HB 2211 HD1 SD1	LBR/JHW, WAM 3/31/06		•	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.				
If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is to:				
Pass, unamended (2312)	Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit (2311) (2310) (2313)			
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)				
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani			-	
ESPERO, Will				
FUKUNAGA, Carol				
HOOSER, Gary L.				
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				
KANNO, Brian	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado				
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				
SAKAMOTO, Norman				
HEMMINGS, Fred				
SLOM, Sam				
TRIMBLE, Gordon				\
TOTAL	12	0	0	3
Recommendation:				
Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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^{*}Do <u>not</u> list more than one measure per Record of Votes.