STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2049

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR - 3 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2272

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 S.B. No. 2272 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require retired individuals who receive reimbursements from the Hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund for Medicare part B premiums to designate a financial institution of their choice for direct deposit of reimbursements after July 1, 2006.

In addition, this measure also clarifies the language of the existing law relating to health benefits plan supplemental to Medicare under section 87A-23, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by making technical nonsubstantive amendments.

Your Committee believes that this measure will increase the efficiency of reimbursements made by the Hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund and reduce operating costs.

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. 2272 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

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

Measure:* SB 2272	Committee Referral: LBR, WAM	Date:	Plate: 2/27/06		
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 (2311)	·			
Members	Ayes A	lyes(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	14	0	0	ļ	
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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^{*}Do not list more than one measure per Record of Votes.