STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1366

Honolulu, Hawaii

Mark 23, 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1281

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred S.B. No. 1281 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES EXCLUDED FROM COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to fund salary increases and other cost adjustments authorized under Chapter 89C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for state officers and employees of agencies excluded from collective bargaining, including the State Ethics Commission, Office of the Auditor, Office of the Legislative Reference Bureau, and Office of the Ombudsman.

The Office of the Ombudsman, Office of the Auditor, Legislative Reference Bureau, Hawaii State Ethics Commission, and Hawaii Government Employees Association Managerial and Confidential Employees Chapter testified in support of this bill.

Legislative employees are currently excluded from collective bargaining. Traditionally, these employees have been awarded salary increases from the Legislature when their counterparts in the executive and judicial branches of government belonging to Collective Bargaining Units (3), (4), and (13) have received pay raises through their negotiations. Your Committee believes that a vehicle for funding these cost items, including salary increases and other cost adjustments, should continue to advance in the

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Legislature, should funds become available for these salary increases.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1281 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment,

ALEX M. SONSON, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 1281	Date:	3-13-0	7	
Committee Referral: LAB, FIN	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ Pass, with amendments			
☐ Hold	Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration			
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SONSON, Alex M. (C)	1			
2. NAKASONE, Bob (VC)	7			
3. EVANS, Cindy				
4. HAR, Sharon E.				
5. LEE, Marilyn B.	/			
6. LUKE, Sylvia	~			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				-
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	~			
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.	1			
10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	/			
11. TAKUMI, Roy M.	<u> </u>			
12. MEYER, Colleen Rose				
13. PINE, Kymberly Marcos				
TOTAL	11			2
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral, commendation is: Vice Chair's or designee's signature:	nittee acronym(did not suppos)	ort recommendation	
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