STAND. COM. REP. NO. Honolulu, Hawaii Feb 2 , 2011 RE: H.B. No. 175 H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 175 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund (EUTF) Board decisions take into account the counties' workplace and finances by requiring one member of EUTF Board to be selected by the counties.

The Hawaii Council of Mayors, City and County of Honolulu Department of Human Resources, Hawaii State Association of Counties, and a concerned individual supported this bill. The Department of Budget and Finance supported the intent of this measure.

The EUTF was established to provide a single health benefits delivery system for State and county employees, retirees, and their dependents and was intended to provide quality health insurance that meets the needs of all public employees and their families.

However, your Committee finds that to ensure that the needs of county employees and their families are adequately met, the counties must have a representative on the EUTF Board.



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Your Committee has amended this bill by permitting the Governor to fill the vacancy should the counties' not appoint their representative within sixty days.

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 H.B. No. 175, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 175, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment

Bill/Resolution No.: HB175	Committee Referral: Date: LAB, FIN 1-28-11			
□ 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) 				
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. RHOADS, Karl (C)				
2. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (VC)				
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.				
4. CULLEN, Ty				
5. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
6. LEE, Marilyn B.				
7. LUKE, Sylvia				
8. SAIKI, Scott K.				
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.		-		
10. TAKUMI, Roy M.				•
11. FONTAINE, George R.				· .
12. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling				
TOTAL (12)	10	2		
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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