STAND. COM. REP. NO. 369

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 18 2011

RE:

S.B. No. 1082

S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 1082 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARY INCREASES FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate unspecified sums for Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund costs for collective bargaining unit (3) and its excluded counterparts within the Executive Branch.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Government Employees Association. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

While it is uncertain whether the State is in a position to fund general salary increases for public employees at this time, your Committee finds that this measure provides a vehicle to implement pending collective bargaining agreements with bargaining unit (3), should a vehicle be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this measure.

Your Committee notes that this measure, as introduced, was intended to appropriate unspecified sums for certain salary and cost adjustments related to collective bargaining unit (3), rather than for Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund costs. Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by replacing

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its contents with provisions that appropriate unspecified sums for:

- (1) All collective bargaining cost items for state employees and officers in the Executive Branch, in the Judiciary Branch, and who are employed by the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, in collective bargaining unit (3); and
- (2) Salary increases and other cost adjustments authorized by chapter 89C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for state officers and employees in the Executive Branch, in the Judiciary Branch, and who are employed by the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation who are excluded from collective bargaining and belong to the same compensation plans as those officers and employees within collective bargaining unit (3).

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1082, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1082, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor,

CLAYTON HEE, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Sixth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB (082	Committee Referral: Date:				
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
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