STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1939-12

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 16, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2323 S.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2323, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to fund all collective bargaining cost items in the agreement negotiated with the exclusive bargaining representative of collective bargaining unit (9) and for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining unit (9) due to an impasse in negotiations for fiscal year 2012-2013.

The Department of Budget and Finance and Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME, Local 152, AFL-CIO testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee finds that registered professional nurses under bargaining unit (9) rejected an initial collective bargaining agreement between their exclusive representative and the public employers thus leading to the exclusive representative and the public employer to declare an impasse. Bargaining unit (9) is subject to binding arbitration as a means of impasse resolution. As such, an arbitration panel will decide the terms that will be awarded. If an arbitration panel decides in favor of the nurses, funds will need to be made available for their new

contract. This measure serves as a vehicle for funds to be appropriated.

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. 2323, S.D. 1, 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,

KARL RHOADS, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-sixth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment

	Committee Referral:		3-13-12		
☐ 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. OKAMURA, Tom					
9. SAIKI, Scott K.					
10. SOUKI, Joseph M.					
11. TAKUMI, Roy M.					
12. FONTAINE, George R.					
13. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling					
TOTAL (13)	9		•	_3	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. Committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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