STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii March 2, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 1057 S.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred S.B. No. 1057, S.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to fulfill the Legislature's responsibility to establish public employer contribution amounts to the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund if an impasse occurs in a collective bargaining negotiation.

Specifically, the measure establishes employer contribution amounts for plan years 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 for Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund (EUTF) health benefit plan premiums for the employees of collective bargaining unit (10) and their excluded counterparts.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition of this measure from the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO.

Your Committee finds that the public employer and the exclusive representative for collective bargaining unit (10) were at an impasse in collective bargaining negotiations regarding contribution amounts for plan years 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 for EUTF health benefit plan premiums for the employees of collective bargaining unit (10) and their excluded counterparts. Because an

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agreement could not be reached regarding the employer contribution amounts to the trust fund, the public employer is required by law to submit its recommendation for contributions to the Legislature. This measure establishes the public employer's recommended contributions designed to effectuate fifty percent employer contribution levels for collective bargaining unit (10) and their excluded counterparts. These rates are identical for employees in other collective bargaining units under existing collective bargaining agreements.

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. 1057, S.D. 2, 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,

MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 1057 SD 2	Committee Referral: LAB, FIN		p	Date: 3/15/13		
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.						
The recommendation is to: A Pass, unamended (as is) D Pass, with amendments (HD) D Hold D Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)						
LAB Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)) Nays	Excused	
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)						
2. HASHEM, Mark J. (VC)		/				
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.		1				
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda		/				
5. ING, Kaniela		/				
6. TAKUMI, Roy M.		(
7. YAMANE, Ryan I.		/				
8. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.						
9. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling						
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TOTAL (9)		9	0	6	0	
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral,						
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:						
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