

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1209
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1209 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RETIREMENT OF JUDGES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to harmonize age and service requirements for members of the Employees' Retirement System who become judges with the requirements for other contributory plan members who joined the system at the same time.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Employees' Retirement System and the Judiciary.

Your Committee finds that under present law, members of the Employees' Retirement System who become judges after June 30, 2012, are subject to more stringent age and service requirements for retirement than other contributory plan members who became members of the system at the same time. This disparity may serve as a disincentive for current, qualified members who might otherwise pursue a career on the bench. Your Committee further finds that this measure will bring parity to age and service requirements for similarly situated members of the system.

Your Committee has amended this measure by amending the prefatory language of section 2 to conform to customary drafting conventions.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1209, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1209, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB1209	Committee Referral: JDL, WAM	Date: 2/27/15		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)				✓
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	10	0	0	1
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>				
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