Honolulu, Hawaii

February 7 , 2017

H.B. No. 913 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2017 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 913 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL COVERAGE FOR FIREFIGHTERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide expanded, employerfinanced medical, disability indemnity, and death benefits to firefighters who develop cancer as a result of exposure to carcinogens in the line of duty.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Fire Council, Honolulu Fire Department, Kauai Fire Department, and Hawaii Fire Fighters Association. Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Employees' Retirement System, Department of Human Resources of the City and County of Honolulu, and Hawaii Medical Service Association submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1)Changing its effective date to July 1, 2090, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 913, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 913, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Labor & Public Employment.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health,

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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

	Committee Referral: HLT, LAB, FIN		Date: 2-2-17	
θ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure				
The recommendation is to: θ Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) θ Hold θ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)				
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)				
3. HAR, Sharon E.			propriemateuro de la composición de la	
MODIVAYIA				
4. MORIKAWA, Dee				
5 OSHIDO Morous P				
5. OSHIRO, Marcus R.				
6. TODD, Chris				
7. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				. <u>19. 29. 48. 49</u> - 19
TOTAL (7)	4	3		
The recommendation is: \[\begin{align*} \theta & Adopted & \theta & Not Adopted \\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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