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Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2020

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RE: H.B. No. 2273

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2020 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2273, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WAGES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the penalty for violations of the wages and hours laws by making violations a class C felony.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that state labor laws should protect workers from employers who fail to pay their employees. Your Committee further finds that other states have recently enacted legislation providing for criminal penalties for employers who willfully commit wage theft. This measure will increase protections for Hawaii's workers by increasing the penalty for violations of the wages and hours law.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your

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Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2273, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

CHRIS LEE, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The THIRTIETH Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2273 HD	Committee Referral: LAB, JUD			Date: 2 / 26/20		
☐ 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)						
JUD Membe	ers	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. LEE, Chris (C)				,		
2. SAN BUENAVENTURA	A, Joy A. (VC)					
3. BROWER, Tom		1/		ee vae		
4. CREAGAN, Richard P.						
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6. McKELVEY, Angus L.1	K .					
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8. PERRUSO, Amy A.				The state of the s		
9. SAY, Calvin K.Y.						
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11. YAMANE, Ryan I.						
12. THIELEN, Cynthia						
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TOTAL (12	2)	8			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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