Honolulu, Hawaii

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H.B. No. 2747 RE:

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 2747 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XVI, SECTION 2, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION, TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATURE TO REQUIRE THE FORFEITURE OR REDUCTION OF PENSION BENEFITS OF A MEMBER, FORMER MEMBER, OR RETIRANT OF THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM WHO IS CONVICTED OF A FELONY RELATED TO THE MEMBER'S, FORMER MEMBER'S, OR RETIRANT'S EMPLOYMENT WITH THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to propose an amendment to the Hawaii State Constitution to authorize the Legislature to provide by law for the forfeiture or reduction of benefits of any member, former member, or retirant of the employees' retirement system if the member, former member, or retirant is convicted of a felony related to the employment with the State or counties.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Common Cause Hawaii and four individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

Your Committee finds that public officers and employees are responsible for upholding the public's trust in government and democracy. Your Committee further finds that the public's belief in government and democracy become strained when public officers and employees participate in misconduct in their employment, while maintaining the benefits from their employment.

Your Committee has amended this measure by deleting the provision specifying when the measure is effective.

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 H.B. No. 2747, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2747, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment,

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The THIRTIETH Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment

Bill/Resolution No.: HB2747	Committee Referral:	F/H Date	2-4-	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)				
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (C)				
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2. ELI, Stacelynn K.M. (VC)				September 200 and the second
3. ICHIYAMA, Linda	<u> </u>			
4. KITAGAWA, Lisa				
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5. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				
6. QUINLAN, Sean	V			
7. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
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8. MATSUMOTO, Lauren				
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TOTAL (8)	8			
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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