STAND. COM. REP. NO. 222 -22

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 2103

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Tourism, to which was referred H.B. No. 2103 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND SPOUSAL MEDICARE PART B PREMIUM REIMBURSEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to eliminate Medicare part B premium reimbursement by the State and counties for the spouses of retired employees hired after June 30, 2022.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund Board of Trustees. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO.

Your Committee finds that this measure is a cost-containment proposal that does not impact current retirees, vested former employees, and current employees. The Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund Board of Trustees estimates this change would save the State \$1,200,000,000 over the next thirty years in lower annual required contributions.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to December 25, 2040, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Tourism that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2103, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2103, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Labor & Tourism,

RICHARD H.K. ONISHI, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Tourism

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2103	Committee Referral:		Date: (2.100 / 2.03 g	
HB 2103 LAT, FIN 02/08/2022 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)				
LAT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
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8. OKIMOTO, Val				
TOTAL (8)	7		<u> </u>	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, committee acronym(s) One Adopted did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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