

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1141
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor and Technology, to which was referred
S.B. No. 1141 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to transfer
workers' compensation for the Hawaii State Public Library System
(State Public Library) and its employees from the Department of
Education to the Department of Human Resources Development.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Hawaii State Public Library System. Your Committee
received comments on this measure from the Department of Human
Resources Development.

Your Committee finds that Act 61, Session Laws of Hawaii
2012, clarified that when the Legislature enacted Act 51, Session
Laws of Hawaii 2004, which, in part, transferred certain functions
of executive branch agencies that pertained to education personnel
to the Department of Education, the Legislature had not intended
to include the personnel of the State Public Library. According
to testimony received by your Committee, although Department of
Human Resources Development has been managing and administering
the workers' compensation claims of the State Public Library
employees since 2012 through memoranda of agreement, the
Department of Human Resources Development has not received any



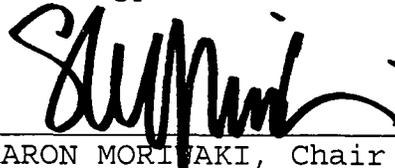
additional staff or funding from Department of Education to address its increased responsibilities to the State Public Library and its employees.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting appropriations of unspecified amounts for the:
 - (A) Establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) position within the Department of Human Resources Development for the State Public Library and its employees; and
 - (B) Workers' compensation costs of the State Public Library and its employees;
- (2) Amending section 1 to reflect its amended purpose; and
- (3) Inserting an effective date of January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor and Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1141, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1141, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Labor and
Technology,



SHARON MORIWAKI, Chair



