

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1383
S.D. 1
H.D. 1
C.D. 1

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

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 1383, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW, "

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to

- (1) Institute an unemployment insurance technology assessment to be imposed on employers at an unspecified rate of taxable wages;
- (2) Establish the Unemployment Insurance Technology Special Fund into which the assessment shall be deposited, and which shall be used to defray the costs of information technology infrastructure for the Unemployment Insurance Program; and



- (3) Clarify the order of priority to apply collections from delinquent employers to delinquent amounts under Hawaii's Employment Security Law.

Your Committee on Conference finds that federal funds are currently available for the infrastructure and equipment necessary to modernize the Unemployment Insurance Program, and the costs of operating and maintaining the information technology systems are not covered by federal funds. This measure would provide a permanent funding mechanism to support the necessary continued maintenance of the Unemployment Insurance Division's information technology infrastructure.


Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that the unemployment insurance technology assessment be at a rate of .01 percent of taxable wages as specified in section 383-61, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (2) Making it effective upon its approval.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1383, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1383, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE


SCOT Z. MAIZYOSHI
Co-Chair
ANDREW GARRETT
Co-Chair

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE


SHARON MORIWAKI
Chair
MAILE S.L. SHIMABUKURO
Co-Chair

Hawai'i State Legislature

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Record of Votes of a
Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: SB 1383, SD 1, HD 1					Date/Time: 4/28/23 10:30 am				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y., Chr.	X				MATAYOSHI, Scot Z., Co-Chr.	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L., Co-Chr.	X				GARRETT, Andrew Takuya, Co-Chr.	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X				MARTINEZ, Rose	X			
					ALCOS III, David				X
TOTAL	3				TOTAL	3			1
A = Aye		WR = Aye with Reservations			N = Nay		E = Excused		
Senate Recommendation is:					House Recommendation is:				
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:					House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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