STAND. COM. REP. NO. 795

Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 02 , 2023

RE: H.B. No. 102

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 102 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize for licensure as a professional engineer, a person who:

- Is a graduate of a school or college approved as of satisfactory standing by the State Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects (Board);
- (2) Has completed an engineering curriculum of four years or more;
- (3) Has had four years of full-time or equivalent part-time professional level government employment performing lawful experience in review of engineered plans and calculations under the direct supervision of a properly licensed professional engineer; and
- (4) Has successfully passed a written examination prescribed by the Board.



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Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Planning and Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects.

Your Committee finds that local government agencies are having difficulty recruiting and retaining engineers, as the agencies are unable to compete with private industries and federal agencies that can offer a substantially larger salary to engineers. Your Committee further finds that professional level government engineering experience entails a suitable and comprehensive standard of competency in engineering through the required review and approval of engineering projects under pertinent codes, ordinances, and laws. This measure incentivizes new engineering graduates to pursue an engineering career in local government by providing eligibility for licensure as a professional engineer through the use of relevant professionallevel government employment that is directly supervised by a properly licensed professional engineer.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 102 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce,

ARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



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State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-second Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.:			Date: 02-22-23		
HB 102 The committee is reconsidered by the second					
The recommendation is to:					
CPC Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)		1			
2. SAYAMA, Jackson D. (VC)					
3. AMATO, Terez					
5. AMATO, ICICE					
4. BELATTI, Della Au					1
5. HASHEM, Mark J.		1			
6. HUSSEY-BURDICK	, Natalia	/			
7. GATES, Cedric Asuc	ega				
8. LOWEN, Nicole E.					
8. EOWEN, Medic E.			C		4.5
9. ONISHI, Richard H.	К.				1
10. TAM, Adrian K.		/			
11. PIERICK, Elijah		/			
TOTAL	(11)	8			3
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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