

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1523

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 Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 1523 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, SURVEYORS AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the State Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects (State Board) to, upon its denial of an application for licensure, provide the applicant with a written notice of denial accompanied by a written explanation describing the reasons for the State Board's denial.

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 comments on this measure from the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects.

Your Committee finds that applicants who are denied an engineer, architect, surveyor, or landscape architect license should be advised of the reasons that their application was denied so they can focus on how to correct, supplement, or improve their application for proper qualification. This measure requires the



State Board to provide applicants who were denied licensure a written explanation of the reason for their denial.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1523, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1523, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
 If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312
 Pass, with amendments 2311
 Hold 2310
 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"	<i>[Signature]</i>			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	4	14	0	0

Recommendation:
 Adopted
 Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:
Carol Fukunaga

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