Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2343

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2343, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT OF ORDERS OF WAGE PAYMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to broaden enforcement of orders of wage payment violations to allow for certified copies of orders of wage payment violations to be filed in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Attorney General; Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund Political Action Committee; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations issues orders of wage payment violation when employers are found to have violated their wage payment obligations. However, enforcement proceedings on final orders of wage payment violations must be filed in the circuit court in which the employer conducts business. This measure would allow enforcement proceedings to be brought in district court, improving the efficiency of enforcement and expediting collection efforts to get employees paid their wages.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2343, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs,

James Carnac

DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-second Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB Z 343 HD1 Committee Referral: LGO JHA Date: 2/14/24				
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)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)	X			
2. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (VC)				
3. EVSLIN, Luke A.	X			
4. GANADEN, Sonny	X			
5. HOLT, Daniel	×			
6. ICHIYAMA, Linda	X			
7. ILAGAN, Greggor	X			
8. KONG, Sam Satoru	X			
9. MIYAKE, Tyson K.	\times			
10. SOUZA, Kanani	\searrow			
	Co.			
TOTAL (10) Adopted If joint referral,				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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