

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1355
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor and Technology, to which was referred S.B. No. 1355 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate or authorize funds for fiscal biennium 2025-2027 for collective bargaining unit cost items including salary and other cost adjustments for the members of collective bargaining unit (10) and their excluded counterparts.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance; University of Hawai'i System; Hawaii Government Employees Association AFSCME Local 646, AFL-CIO; and Hawaii Health Systems Corporation.

Your Committee finds that the negotiations for collective bargaining agreements for bargaining unit (10) are currently in progress. This measure provides a legislative vehicle that can be used if an agreement is reached or an arbitration award is issued prior to the end of the 2025 Regular Session.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting language declaring that the general fund expenditure ceiling has been exceeded;



- (2) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) 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 Labor and Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1355, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1355, 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,


HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Third Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Labor and Technology
LBT

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB1355	Committee Referral: LBT, YAM	Date: 1/31/2025		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
AQUINO, Henry J.C. (C)	Y			
LEE, Chris (VC)	Y			
IHARA, Jr., Les	Y			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	Y			
FEVELLA, Kurt				X
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">  </div>				
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