

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2567
S.D. 2
H.D. 2
C.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
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Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2567, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PETITIONS TO TEMPORARILY RESTRAIN AND ENJOIN HARASSMENT OF AN EMPLOYEE,"

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) Establish a two-year pilot project to authorize public employers to petition for temporary restraining orders and injunctions against employment-related harassment of certain public employees; and
- (2) Require and appropriate funds for the Department of the Attorney General to establish a system by which public employers of public servants of the State may retain private attorneys for representation.



Your Committee on Conference finds that there is an alarming nationwide increase in harassment, acts of violence, and threats against public servants, which inhibits these workers' ability to carry out their critical duties. This measure promotes workplace safety and, by extension, supports efficient and robust delivery of public service by allowing public employers to seek protective orders on behalf of public servants based on public employment-related harassment.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting language that would have appropriated funds for the Department of the Attorney General to establish a system for retaining private attorneys to provide representation for public employees of the State under the pilot project;
- (2) Deleting language that would have specified that all appropriated funds shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is made, under certain circumstances;
- (3) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2026; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

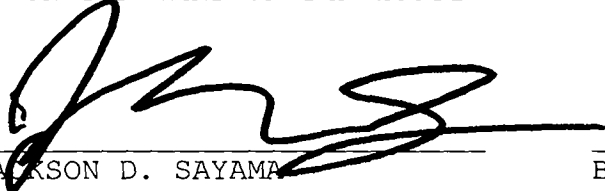
As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2567, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2567, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1.




Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE



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