

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2199-26

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 20, 2026

RE: S.C.R. No. 178.

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Labor, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 178  
entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING ALL STATE AND COUNTY  
AGENCIES INVOLVED IN CONSTRUCTION PROCUREMENT TO IMPLEMENT  
PROMPT PAYMENT TRANSPARENCY MEASURES AND EXPRESSING  
APPRECIATION TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT  
OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES FOR ITS EFFORTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge all state and county  
agencies involved in construction procurement to implement prompt  
payment transparency measures and to express appreciation to the  
Public Works Division of the Department of Accounting and General  
Services for its efforts.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Accounting and General Services; Plumbing  
and Mechanical Contractors Association of Hawaii; Subcontractors  
Association of Hawaii; Sheet Metal Contractors Association of  
Hawaii; Statewide General Contracting & Construction, Inc.; Hawaii  
Architectural Metals & Glass Association; Tile Contractors  
Association of Hawaii; and Hawaii Wall & Ceiling Industry  
Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure  
from the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i Authority and Hawaii  
Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

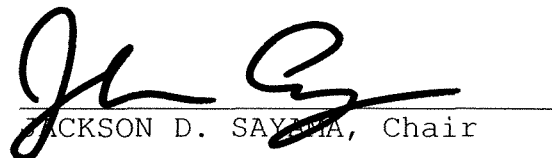
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Your Committee finds that prompt and timely payment on public construction projects is critical to maintaining fairness, efficiency, and financial stability for contractors and subcontractors. Although Act 291, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006, addressed many prompt payment issues, ongoing concerns regarding delayed progress payments and overdue retainage continue to place economic strain on contractors. Your Committee believes that expanding transparent payment tracking practices, modeled after the Public Works Division's contractor payment website, will strengthen accountability, reduce disputes, and promote equitable construction procurement practices statewide.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 178 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Labor,

  
JACKSON D. SAYAMA, Chair



