ACT 255

S.B. NO. 343

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Compensation of Public Officers and Employees. Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 77-13.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read:

"(c) Each exclusive representative may exercise the option to negotiate a model conversion plan regarding a reduction in the number of steps within the salary ranges under section 77-5 or 77-13, as applicable, for positions within its appropriate bargaining unit, by notifying the appropriate employers of its intent in writing. The employers and the exclusive representative shall meet for the purpose of developing a mutually agreeable conversion plan which meets the requirements of subsection (d). Any such plan mutually agreed upon shall be reduced to writing and signed by the parties before [January 1, 1983.] December 31, 1983. The plan shall be binding upon the parties, except that all costs relative to the conversion shall be subject to approval and appropriations by the appropriate legislative bodies, along with negotiated pay increases and other cost items, as required under section 89-10(b). In the absence of a mutually agreed upon model conversion plan before [January 1, 1983] December 31, 1983 for any particular bargaining unit, wage negotiations for such unit shall be based on the existing salary ranges and steps as provided in section 77-5 or 77-13, as applicable."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act, upon its approval, shall take effect retroactive to January 1, 1983.

(Approved June 11, 1983.)