

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 915

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred  
S.B. No. 915 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 provide a legislative vehicle to fund public sector collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments, other cost adjustments, and Hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund costs for public employees in collective bargaining unit (3) and their excluded counterparts for fiscal biennium 2017-2019.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance; University of Hawaii System; Hawaii Health Systems Corporation; and Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO.

Your Committee finds that the negotiations for collective bargaining agreements for bargaining unit (3) 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 2017 Regular Session.

Your Committee has amended this measure by 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 Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 915, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 915, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

  
GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Judiciary and Labor**  
**JDL**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB915</b>	Committee Referral: <b>JDL, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2/9/17</b>		
<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
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (C)	✓			
RHOADS, Karl (VC)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
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;">Karl Rhoads</div>				
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