

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2159

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 09 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2397
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Labor and Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology, to which was referred S.B. No. 2397 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELECOMMUTING,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a temporary telecommuting task force to develop incentives and recommendations to encourage and expand telecommuting opportunities in the public and private sectors.

Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Resources Development. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Legislative Reference Bureau and Common Cause Hawaii.

Your Committees find that the dependence of workers on automobiles for the daily commute to work increases traffic-related congestion on Hawaii's roadways, reduces hours in which employees may be productive on the job, causes employees to spend time commuting rather than with family, and results in the people of Hawaii becoming more dependent on foreign fossil fuel sources, which results in increased carbon emissions. Your Committees also find that telecommuting provides an opportunity for employers to increase employee productivity, decrease use of employee sick leave, increase the labor pool, and improve employee retention;



therefore, your Committees find that Hawaii should promote efforts to adopt telecommuting as a workplace alternative.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the telecommuting task force to submit a draft report to the Legislative Reference Bureau no later than June 30, 2019, to ensure that the Bureau has sufficient time to complete its work on the final report without adversely impacting its ability to provide core services to the Legislature;
- (2) Deleting language that exempted the telecommuting task force from chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to public agency meetings and records; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Labor and Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2397, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2397, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Labor and
Economic Development, Tourism,
and Technology,



GLENN WAKAI, Chair




JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



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<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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)				✓
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	✓			
TOTAL	<i>4</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOTAL	5	0	0	0
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