

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2417

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2515
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 2515
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE EMPLOYMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to repeal the
authority for department heads to establish and abolish positions
for special, research, and demonstration projects approved by the
Governor.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this
measure from the Office of the Governor; Department of Business,
Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Human Resources
Development; Department of Land and Natural Resources; Department
of Agriculture; Department of Human Services; Department of Budget
and Finance; Department of Public Safety; Department of
Transportation; Department of Health; and Office of Enterprise
Technology Services.

Your Committee finds that executive departments and agencies
currently have thousands of unfilled positions that are funded
each year via the state budget. Executive department heads also
have the ability to create positions, with approval of the
Governor, outside of the legislative process. This measure
abolishes the ability of department heads to create such
positions.




Your Committee notes that at the hearing on this measure, the Department of Budget and Finance stated that passage of this measure would negatively impact four hundred fifty full-time equivalent positions. As such, they were requested to provide a break out of the four hundred fifty positions, by title, position, and department, that will be affected by this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2515, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2515, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

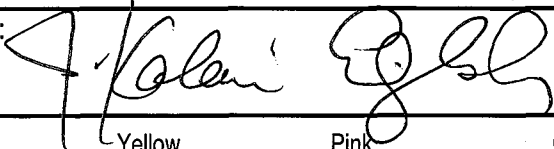


JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB2515	LBR, WAM	01/30/18		
<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	5	0	0	0
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted				
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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