

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1019 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 29, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2017

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2017 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to amend the workers' compensation law to require that a vocational rehabilitation provider first determine if modified or other work suitable for gainful employment with the employee's present employer is available before pursuing employment opportunities with another employer or providing training to obtain employment in another occupational field.

The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Hawaii Government Employees Association, and ILWU Local 142 testified in support of this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2017 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

HB2017 HSCR FIN HMS 2008-2656



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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2017	Committee Referral: FIN	Date: 2-26-2008		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	✓			
3. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
4. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
5. BROWER, Tom	✓			
6. CARROLL, Mele	✓			
7. HANOHANO, Faye P.	✓			
8. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			✓
9. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki	✓			
10. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	✓			
11. MANAHAN, Joey	✓			
12. MIZUNO, John	✓			
13. NAKASONE, Bob	✓			✓
14. RHOADS, Karl	✓			
15. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓			
16. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
17. MEYER, Colleen Rose	✓			
18. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
19. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	✓			
TOTAL (19)	17	0	0	2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Marilyn B. Lee</u>				
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