

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

304

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 247  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 247 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to allow retirees in the Employees' Retirement System who retired before November 30, 2004, to change their pension payment options if their beneficiaries predecease them.

The Hawaii State Teachers Association testified in support of this bill. The Department of Budget and Finance opposed this measure. The Employees' Retirement System offered comments.

Your Committee finds that individuals who retired after November 30, 2004, have the option of choosing to receive increased benefits if their beneficiaries predecease them. This bill would extend the option to those who retired prior to November 30, 2004.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2009, to encourage further discussion; and

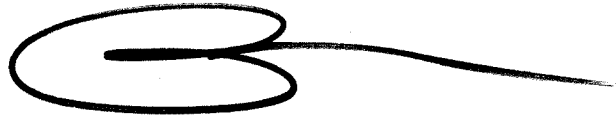
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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 247, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 247, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Labor & Public  
Employment,



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ALEX M. SONSON, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment**

Bill/Resolution No.: <p style="text-align: center;">HB 247</p>		Date: <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;">2-2-07</p>		
Committee Referral: <p style="text-align: center;">LAB, FIN</p>		<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
<p>The recommendation is to:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input type="checkbox"/> Hold         </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration         </div> </div>				
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SONSON, Alex M. (C)	✓			
2. NAKASONE, Bob (VC)	✓			
3. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
4. HAR, Sharon E.				✓
5. LEE, Marilyn B.	✓			
6. LUKE, Sylvia	✓			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.	✓			
10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓			
11. TAKUMI, Roy M.	✓			
12. MEYER, Colleen Rose	✓			
13. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	12			1
<p>The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted</p> <p style="text-align: center;">If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;"><i>Bob Nakason</i></p>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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