

Honolulu, Hawaii

Fc 44 , 2008

RE: H.B. No. 3162  
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 3162 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to better align the State's workforce development policies and programs with its economic policies by transferring the Workforce Development Council (WDC) from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT).

DLIR, DBEDT, WDC, and The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii testified in support of this bill.

The WDC is currently placed within DLIR for administrative purposes. Transferring the WDC to DBEDT would better align the State's workforce development activities and economic development activities, which may result in increased receipt of national workforce funds and allow the State to be better equipped to handle the State's workforce needs in an increasingly global economy.



Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2059, to encourage further discussion; and
- (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. 3162, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 3162, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns.

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



---

ALEX M. SONSON, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

HSCR 82-08

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

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 3162</b>	Committee Referral: <b>LAB, EDB, FIN</b>	Date: <b>01/29/08</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SONSON, Alex M. (C)	X			
2. NAKASONE, Bob (VC)				X
3. EVANS, Cindy	X			
4. HAR, Sharon E.	X			
5. LEE, Marilyn B.	X			
6. LUKE, Sylvia	X			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	X			
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	X			
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.				X
10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	X			
11. TAKUMI, Roy M.	X			
12. MEYER, Colleen Rose	X			
13. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	X			
<b>TOTAL (13)</b>	11	0	0	2
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral _____ committee acronym(s) _____ did not support recommendation.				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____				
<b>Distribution:</b> Original (White) – Committee    Duplicate (Yellow) – Chief Clerk's Office				