

# HIOSH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Committee Meeting

May 18, 2017 1:00 PM to 1:40 PM

**Department of Labor and Industrial Relations / 830 Punchbowl Street / HIOSH Training Room 427**

**Members Present:**

Robert Aquino (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers), Malcolm Barcarse, Jr. (Associated Builders and Contractors), Mark Benson (Hawaii Teamsters, Local 996), Lily Chu (Department of Human Resources Development), Jennifer Cynn (Local 5), Joaquin Diaz (Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board), Frank Izuta (First Medical Group), Clayton Kamida (Hawaii Employers Council), Tim Lyons (Hawaii Business League), Pane Maetoga, Jr. (Operating Engineers), Walter Medina (City and County of Honolulu), Dan Miyahira (Department of Transportation), Jim Newberry (Veterans of Safety), Jill Niitani (County of Kauai), Joseph O'Donnell (Ironworkers, Local 625), Rick Ravelo (Hawaii Electric Company), Angel Santiago (UPW), Lata Sua (HEMIC)

**DLIR Staff:**

Leonard Hoshijo, Director's Office; Norman Ahu, HIOSH; Nicole Bennett, HIOSH; Tin Shing Chao, HIOSH; Conroy Dang, HIOSH; Patrick Landgraf, HIOSH; Allen Miho, HIOSH; Deirdre Yamasaki, HIOSH (Recorder)

**Guests (Public):**

Ruth Amancio, Roger Forstner, Barbara Goto

Agenda	Discussion	Decision and/or Outcome
<b>Call to Order</b>	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> Ms. Lata Sua welcomed members of the HIOSH Advisory Committee.	
<b>Roll Call</b>	Roll call was taken. A quorum was present.	
<b>Minutes</b>	A motion was made to approve the February 16, 2017 minutes with the following amendment:  Under Director's Comments, the sixth bullet point, last two sentences should be changed to:  Serious violations will increase from \$7,000 to \$12,000. Repeat violations will increase from \$70,000 to \$124,000.	February 16, 2017 minutes was approved.
<b>Director's Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bill to increase HIOSH penalties were passed through the Legislature with an effective date of January 1, 2018. The current phase is where the Governor is getting input from the community and the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations on whether to sign, veto or let it become a law without signature.</li> <li>• Regarding the budget, new programs are being scrutinized because the revenue intake projections kept going down. There is a chance they will keep existing programs going but departments are being asked to start looking at what if your federal funds are cut. The federal continuing resolution has passed so there is funding until September. Everyone is waiting to see what the budget proposal will be.</li> </ul>	
<b>Information From HIOSH to the HIOSH Advisory Committee</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Doreen Miyaki transferred to another position. Ms. Nicole Bennett is filling in. Consultation and Training Branch will be recruiting for an additional consultant. Both Safety and Health Branch have a manager and eight inspectors.</li> <li>• HIOSH's target was 370 inspections by May 31, 2017. HIOSH is currently at 532 inspections.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIOSH has had 3-4 fatalities so far this year.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A person who fell off a roof in Ewa Beach.</li> <li>○ A person fell off of a scaffold in Waikiki.</li> <li>○ There was a jet ski accident outside of Diamond Head.</li> <li>○ There was a bulldozer accident at HPower at Campbell.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• HIOSH is working on adopting the standards, such as crane and derricks and confined spaces, walking surfaces, and silica. Once adopted, HIOSH will be up-to-date. Projected date is August or September. HIOSH is currently working with AG on revisions.</li> </ul>	
<b>Old Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sub-Committee regarding becoming part of participating high schools' Career Technical Education Program will be removed from agenda.</li> </ul>	
<b>Around-the-Table Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The OSHA One Day Workshop had 475 attendees. American Society of Safety Engineers had over 70 members attend.</li> <li>• In the first week of June, the 511 class will be available.</li> <li>• The National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators had their commissioners meeting. It is unsure whether OSHA will meet the November deadline for the new regulation on certifications.</li> <li>• Clarification was asked if HIOSH contacts the union when doing inspections. When doing inspections, HIOSH asks the employer if they have union representation. It is up to the employer to contact the union.</li> <li>• United Public Workers extended an invitation to hold HIOSH Advisory Meetings at their site.</li> <li>• Request was asked for HIOSH to post the old rules on the website.</li> </ul>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>		August 17, 2017, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., HIOSH Training Room 427

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

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Deirdre Yamasaki  
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations/HIOSH

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Ms. Lata Sua, Chair  
HIOSH Advisory Committee