

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 16, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2900

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2900 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC VOTING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to enhance the validity of the electronic voting process by:

- (1) Clarifying that, when using electronic voting machines, either a paper receipt or a voter verifiable audit trail that contains only a record of the voter's ballot selections may be used to verify a voter's vote; and
- (2) Allowing a voter verifiable paper audit trail to be used to:
 - (A) Assess the accuracy of the voting machine's electronic record; and
 - (B) Verify the election results.

The Office of Elections, Office of the County Clerk of the County of Maui, Office of the County Clerk of the County of Hawaii, Office of the County Clerk of the County of Kauai, Office of the City Clerk of the City and County of Honolulu, and The League of Women Voters of Hawaii testified in support of this bill.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2900 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



