

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 8, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 462
H.D. 1

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. 462 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION DAY POLL WATCHERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to change the deadline for political parties to submit its list of election day poll watchers from 10 days to 90 days prior to an election, and require poll watchers to receive instruction and certification prior to service.

The Chief Election Officer of the State Office of Elections, the Deputy County Clerk of Kauai, the Association of Clerks and Election Officers of Hawaii, and the League of Women Voters of Hawaii testified in support of this bill. The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO submitted testimony in opposition to this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the deadline for political parties to submit its list of election day poll watchers from 90 days to 20 days prior to an election;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020; and



- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments to correct drafting style.

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. 462, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 462, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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


for SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



