

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2148
S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2148 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION RELATING TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to propose an amendment to the Hawaii Constitution to provide for the election of the Attorney General.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee finds that the Attorney General is the State's chief legal officer. Over forty states in the United States require that the Attorney General be elected. This measure, if approved by the voters, will make Hawaii's Attorney General, truly the "people's lawyer."

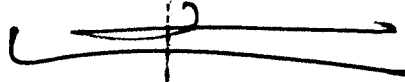
Your Committee has amended this measure to make nonsubstantive, technical changes.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2148, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2148, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Hawaiian Affairs,



COLLEEN HANABUSA, Chair



