

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2527

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2806
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 Media, Arts, Science, and Technology, to which was referred S.B. No. 2806 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS ON THE INTERNET,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make an appropriation for media streaming of legislative proceedings over the Internet.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the League of Women Voters of Hawaii, Life of the Land, and 'Olelo Community Television.

Your Committee finds that citizen involvement and input is crucial in the legislative process. In the past, the Legislature has demonstrated its commitment to the principle of public access to the legislative process by creating programs like the public access room, the legislative broadcast project, and the legislative website, which encourage education and support for citizen involvement. Thus, this measure furthers the Legislature's commitment to public access by making an appropriation for media streaming of legislative proceedings over the Internet.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Inserting the amount of "\$42,000" into the appropriation for a video archived and indexed stream and two audio archived and indexed streams; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Media, Arts, Science, and Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2806, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2806, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Media, Arts,
Science, and Technology,



CAROL FUKUNAGA, Chair



