

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1063  
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred  
S.B. No. 1063 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE VACANCIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the governor, in filling vacancies to the state senate, state house of representatives, and United States Senate, to select from a list of three prospective appointees nominated by the political party of the prior incumbent. This measure also requires prospective appointees to be registered members of nominating political parties at the time their names are submitted to the governor.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Democratic Party of Hawaii, the O`ahu County Committee of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and a concerned individual. The Governor testified in opposition to this measure.

Your Committee finds that a procedure that guarantees that vacancies are filled in a fair and timely manner is essential to the integrity of the legislative process.

Your Committee has amended this measure by restructuring the amendments to section 17-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes in section 2 of this bill by setting out new language in new subsections rather than incorporating by reference the new language in section 17-3(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1063, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1063, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



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CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
 State of Hawaii

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**JDL**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1063	JDL	2/21/07		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				/
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
GABBARD, Mike	/	/		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Russell S. Kohl</div>				
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