

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 26, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2902  
H.D. 3

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2902, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EDUCATION GOVERNMENT TELEVISION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to enhance the efficient provision of public access programming which provides a valuable community service by:

- (1) Directing the Auditor to review the basis and rationale of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (DCCA) current allocation of cable operator franchise fees to public, education, and government access organizations, the Hawaii Public Television Foundation, and DCCA's Cable Television Division;
- (2) Directing DCCA to contract for a financial review or audit of Olelo Community Television; and
- (3) Appropriating unspecified funds from DCCA's Compliance Resolution Fund for the financial review or audit.

DCCA, Olelo Community Media, Akaku Maui Community TV, and Molokai Akaku Media Center commented on this measure.




Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Directing DCCA to contract for a performance review or audit of Olelo Community Television rather than a financial review or audit and reflecting this change in the requirements of the review or audit;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2902, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2902, H.D. 3.

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

  
MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



