

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1094

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 2011

RE: H.B. No. 550
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 550, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELEVISION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Auditor to analyze the allocation of cable operator franchise fees and to review the reports of the financial, technical, and operational condition of 'Olelo Community Television.

Specifically, the measure would require the Auditor to:

- (1) Review the allocation of fees to public, educational, and government access organizations; the Hawaii Public Television Foundation; and the cable television division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to determine the basis and rationale for the allocations; and
- (2) Review the reports submitted by 'Olelo Community Television, pursuant to section 440G-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the most recent independent third party review of 'Olelo Community Television to determine whether the reports currently required by statute are sufficient to enable effective oversight.

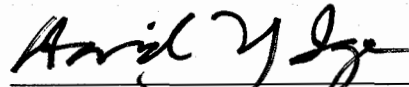


Your Committee received comments in support of this measure from Everett Kaneshige, Deputy Director, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Your Committee finds that in these economically challenging times, the State should ensure that cable operator franchise fee revenues and tax dollars are spent as prudently and effectively as possible. Further, your Committee finds that this measure will help to ensure that the State is able to provide effective oversight of 'Olelo Community Television.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 550, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Sixth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 550, HD1, SD1	CPN, WAM	3-30-11		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KAHELE, Gilbert	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				/
RYAN, Pohai	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	13	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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