

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

April 4, 2011

RE: H.R. No. 116

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.R. No. 116 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF CLOSED PRIMARIES CONDUCTED BY OTHER STATES AND THE CORRESPONDING EFFECT ON VOTER TURNOUT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to ensure a representative form of government and determine if closed primary elections have an effect on voter turnout by requesting the Legislative Reference Bureau to conduct a study of the types of closed primary elections conducted in other states and the corresponding effect, if any, on voter turnout in those jurisdictions.

The Hawaii Family Forum testified in opposition to this measure. The Legislative Reference Bureau provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 116 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Legislative Management.

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



GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN Chair



