

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 21, 2011

RE: S.B. No. 583
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred S.B. No. 583, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to authorize the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to designate access organizations to oversee public, educational, and governmental channels on cable televisions.

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Maui Democratic Party, Americans for Democratic Action/Hawaii, Community Alliance on Prisons, Olelo Community Media, A Vessel of Mercy Ministry, and several concerned individuals supported this bill. The State Procurement Office and a concerned individual opposed this measure.

Your Committee amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date from July 1, 2050, to July 1, 2011; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 583, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 583, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ROBERT N. HERKES, Chair



