

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

182

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 2013

RE: S.B. No. 30

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred  
S.B. No. 30 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make various  
amendments to the campaign finance laws. Specifically, this  
measure:

- (1) Requires candidates to file the affidavits stating  
voluntary agreement to abide by spending limits at the  
time nomination papers are filed; and
- (2) Increases the prosecuting attorney's voluntary campaign  
expenditure limit.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Campaign Spending Commission and two private individuals.

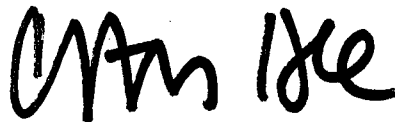
Your Committee finds that this measure makes a couple of  
housekeeping amendments to the campaign finance laws. This  
measure requires candidates to file affidavits to voluntarily  
abide by statutory expenditure limitations no later than the  
deadline to file nomination papers. This proposed amendment will  
allow Campaign Spending Commission staff to better implement the  
partial financing program and achieve compliance with state  
election laws.



Furthermore, this measure corrects a statutory deletion that resulted in placing the prosecuting attorney in a lower expenditure category. The commission testified that placing the prosecuting attorney in a lower expenditure seemed unreasonable given the fact that the prosecuting attorney is a county-wide office. The proposed amendment increases the campaign expenditure amount of a publicly financed prosecuting attorney candidate by placing the prosecuting attorney under the same category as state senators, state representatives, and county council members participating in the partial public financing program.

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. 30 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



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CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Judiciary and Labor**  
**JDL**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
<b>SB 30</b>	<b>JDL, WAM</b>	<b>01.31.2013</b>		
<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
HEE, Clayton (C)	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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