

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 490

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2013

RE: S.B. No. 31

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. 31 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 clarify the information required in and the deadline for filing of noncandidate committee reports. Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Separates noncandidate committee contributions that are required to be disclosed and filed in preliminary, final, and supplemental noncandidate committee reports into contributions received and contributions made; and
- (2) Amends the January deadline for filing supplemental noncandidate committee reports.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Campaign Spending Commission, Americans for Democratic Action/Hawaii, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that by separating the reporting of contributions into contributions received and contributions made by noncandidate committees, this measure will align with the practice that noncandidate committees make and receive contributions and report them. This separation promotes transparency of spending on independent expenditures.



Your Committee further finds that amending the January deadline for filing supplemental noncandidate committee reports more clearly aligns the law with the present practice of filing a supplemental report every year. The Campaign Spending Commission testified that without this amendment, the Commission may not be able to require the filing of the January supplemental report in an election year, thereby leaving a one-year gap (July 1 of a nonelection year to June 30 of an election year) in reporting by a noncandidate committee.

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. 31 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary and Labor
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 31	Committee Referral: JDL	Date: 01.31.2013		
<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	✓			
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes