

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **641**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR - 1 2013

RE: S.B. No. 66
S.D. 1

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. 66 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CODE OF ETHICS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to foster public confidence in state government by making the financial disclosure statements of members of state boards and commissions holding official authority over permitting or licensing of land use related matters, water use related matters, or the regulation of public utilities public documents and available for public inspection and duplication.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Ethics Commission, League of Women Voters of Hawaii, Life of the Land, Americans for Democratic Action/Hawaii, and twenty-seven individuals. Testimony in opposition to this measure was submitted by the General Contractors Association of Hawaii and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General, Public Utilities Commission, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that existing law requires members of every state board or commission whose original terms of office are for periods longer than one year and whose functions are not solely advisory to file an annual financial disclosure statement with the Hawaii State Ethics Commission. However, the financial disclosure statements of members of the majority of state boards



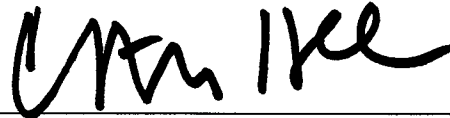
or commissions are not available to the public for inspection. This measure provides greater transparency into the financial interests of state board and commission members holding official authority over permitting or licensing of land use related matters, water use related matters, or the regulation of public utilities to help identify potential conflicts of interests.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Identifying by name specific state boards and commissions to which this measure applies; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 66, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 66, S.D. 1, 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
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 66	JDL	2/12/13
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" 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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