

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 27, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1797
H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1797, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VOTING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage voter participation by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Education to provide seniors at every public high school with voter registration information prior to graduation and authorizing the Department to assist those students with voter registration; and
- (2) Requiring the Department of Human Services to provide young adults in the Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care Program with voter registration information and authorizing the Department to assist those young adults with voter registration.

The Office of Elections, Department of Education, Hawaii Youth Services Network, and one concerned individual testified in support of this measure. The Elections Division of the Office of the County Clerk of the County of Kauai 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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1797, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



