

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 154  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Legislative Management, to which was referred H.B. No. 154 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide greater access to the legislative process by requiring both chambers of the Legislature to establish rules to enable the presentation of prerecorded video of oral testimony at legislative committee hearings.

The Hawaii Alliance of Nonprofit Organizations and a concerned individual supported this measure. One concerned individual provided comments.


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the requirement that each chamber of the Legislature establish the procedures by rule;
- (2) Clarifying that the presentation of testimony at legislative committee hearings via prerecorded videos is not limited to oral testimony; and
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2088, to encourage further discussion.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Legislative Management that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 154, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 154, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Legislative  
Management,

  
BERTRAND KOBAYASHI, Chair



