

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 1, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1687
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1687 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLICATION OF ELECTION NOTICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Allow an election officer who is required to issue a public notice in a statewide or county publication to satisfy the publication requirement by submitting the notice to the publication and posting the notice on the website associated with the election officer; and
- (2) Provide that the inadvertent failure of a publication to publish a notice in a timely manner shall not invalidate any legal consequences or actions associated with the notice.

The Office of Elections testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the notice to be conspicuously posted on the website;



- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (3) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 1687, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1687, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair



