

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2541
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. 2541 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to facilitate participation in elections by requiring all elections, beginning with the 2020 primary election, to be conducted by mail.

The Office of Elections; the Office of the City Clerk, City and County of Honolulu; the Office of the County Clerk, County of Hawaii; the Office of the County Clerk, County of Kauai; American Association of University Women; Common Cause Hawaii; Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice; Hawaii Women's Coalition; League of Women Voters; the Oahu County Committee Legislative Priorities Committee of the Democratic Party of Hawaii; Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii; Young Progressives Demanding Action; and eighteen individuals provided testimony in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date:

- (1) Of the measure as a whole to July 1, 2050;



- (2) Of the proviso with respect to section 2 of the measure to January 1, 2049; and
- (3) Of the proviso with respect to sections 54 and 55 of the measure to July 1, 2048.

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. 2541, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2541, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair



