

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

529

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 17, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 283
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 Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 283 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the amounts of fines for campaign spending violations that may be assessed against a person and noncandidate committee that makes only independent expenditures. The Campaign Spending Commission may recover its costs from violators and deposit the recovery into the Hawaii Election Campaign Fund.

The Campaign Spending Commission, League of Women Voters of Hawaii, Common Cause Hawaii, and an individual testified in support of the measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

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. 283, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 283, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair



