

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

786

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 98

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 Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 98 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CODE OF ETHICS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the fair treatment law by clarifying:

- (1) The limitations placed on task force members from limitations placed on legislators who are task force members; and
- (2) That legislators are not prohibited from making statements or taking action in the exercise of their legislative functions.

The Hawaii State Ethics Commission, Common Cause Hawaii, and League of Women Voters of Hawaii supported this 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 Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 98, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second

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Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 98, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Labor & Public
Employment,



AARON LING JOHANSON, Chair



