

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2108**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 08 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2146

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2146 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to provide that whenever an election officer is required to issue a public notice in a statewide or county publication, the publication requirement is satisfied upon the submission of the notice to the publication; provided that the notice is also posted on the website associated with the election officer.

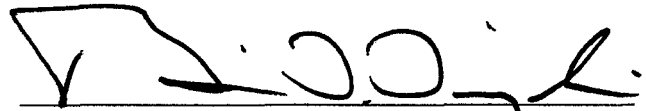
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Elections.

Your Committee finds that timely filing of public notice relating to elections is important to keep the public well-informed. Unusual situations, such as vacancies in close proximity to the candidate filing deadline that add a contest to the ballot and extend the candidate filing deadline, should be brought to the attention of the public as soon as possible. The Office of Elections cannot guarantee compliance by an outside entity once the Office provides a proclamation or other public notice, so requiring the Office to post the notice on the Office's website will ensure that the Office can meet election deadlines regardless of the actions of outside entities.



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 S.B. No. 2146 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 2146	JDC	2/2/18		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	✓			
RHOADS, Karl (VC)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike				✓
KIM, Donna Mercado	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Karl Rhoads</i>				
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