

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

943

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2019

RE: H.B. No. 170
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 170 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ETHICS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide additional clarity and consistency in the administration and enforcement of the State's ethics laws and promote integrity in state government. Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Restores previous statutory language protecting legislators when carrying out a legislative function;
- (2) Clarifies the fair treatment laws with respect to task force members and legislators;
- (3) Repeals language suggesting that task force members need to file the same financial disclosure statements required of other state officials; and
- (4) Clarifies the existing requirement that task force members publicly disclose conflicts of interest.



The Hawaii State Ethics Commission, Common Cause Hawaii, and League of Women Voters of Hawaii testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to January 28, 2081; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments 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. 170, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 170, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



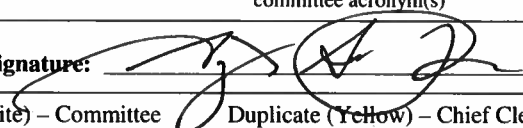
CHRIS LEE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The THIRTIETH Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 170	Committee Referral: JUD	Date: 2/4/19		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LEE, Chris (C)	/			
2. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (VC)	/			
3. BROWER, Tom	/			
4. CREAGAN, Richard P.	/			
5. LOWEN, Nicole E.	/			
6. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	/			
7. MORIKAWA, Dee	/			
8. SAY, Calvin K.Y.				/
9. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	/			
10. YAMANE, Ryan I.	/			
11. THIELEN, Cynthia				/
TOTAL (11)	9			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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