

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 341

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 13, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 709
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. 709 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to propose an amendment to the Hawaii State Constitution to allow the Legislature to provide for the manner of conducting a recount of votes cast in an election.

Common Cause Hawaii and an individual testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the recount will be of votes cast at an election, not in an election;
- (2) Clarifying the question to be printed on the ballot; and
- (3) Changing its effective date to January 28, 2081 and upon compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.



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. 709, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 709, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 709	Committee Referral: JUD, FIN	Date: 2/1/19		
<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)	8			3
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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