

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1058

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Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

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

## Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 1058, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Attorney General to prepare, after consultation with the Legislative Reference Bureau, a clear statement in English and Hawaiian for each constitutional amendment that indicates the purpose, limitations, and effects of the proposed amendment;
- (2) Require the Office of Elections and county clerks to make the statement available to the public at all polling places in the State and on a website operated by the Office of Elections; and

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(3) Appropriate funds for the translation, preparation, and distribution of statements for proposed constitutional amendments.

Your Committee on Conference finds that clear information about what a proposed constitutional amendment would do and how the voting process for a proposed constitutional amendment works are important to voters understanding their role in the process and making an informed decision. This measure will facilitate voter understanding of proposed amendments to the state constitution by requiring the Attorney General to prepare a clear statement in English and Hawaiian for each proposed amendment.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the appropriation section;
- (2) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2020; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1058, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1058, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

CHRIS LEE Co-Chair

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## Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.:  SB 1058, SD 2, HD 1				Date/Time: 4/23/19 3:29pm					
The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure				The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.					
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