STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1516**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 21 , 2019

RE: S.B. No. 144

S.D. 2 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 S.B. No. 144, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend Hawaii's lobbyists law by:

- (1) Removing the restriction on access to transcripts for contested case hearings before the State Ethics Commission;
- (2) Changing the requisite level of intent for violations of the lobbyist law from wilfully to negligently; and
- (3) Allowing the State Ethics Commission to assess an administrative fine pursuant to a settlement agreement.

The Hawai'i State Ethics Commission testified in support of this measure. An individual testified in opposition to this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to make this measure effective upon approval; 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 S.B. No. 144, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 144, S.D. 2, 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

State of Hawaii

House of Representatives
The THIRTIETH Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: 6B 144 6D2	Committee Referral:	Date:	3/18/19	
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: ☐ Pass, unamended (as is) ☐ Pass, with amendments (HD) ☐ Hold ☐ 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				
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4. CREAGAN, Richard P.				
5. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
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6. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	<u> </u>			
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9. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
10. YAMANE, Ryan I.				
11. THIELEN, Cynthia				
TOTAL (11)	8			S
The recommendation is: If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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