

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 144
S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 144, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify and strengthen the State's lobbyist law.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Repeals the restriction on access to transcripts from public contested hearings;
- (2) Changes the requisite level of intent to violate the lobbyist law from wilfully to negligently; and
- (3) Authorizes the state ethics commission to assess an administrative fine pursuant to a settlement agreement.

Your Committee believes that a lower level of proof with respect to the actor's intent to violate the lobbyist law is appropriate, given that the penalty involves only a civil administrative fine.

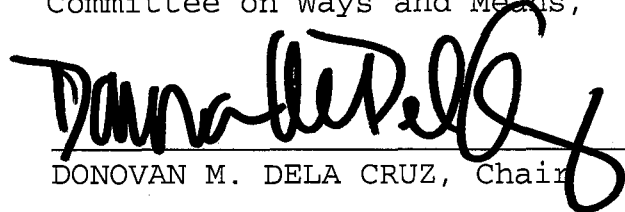


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 144, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 144, S.D. 2.

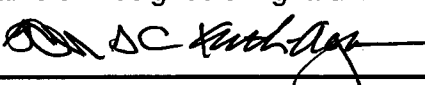
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB144, SD1	JDC, WAM	2/20/19
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X	
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X	
HARIMOTO, Breene		X
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X	
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	X	
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X	
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X	
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X	
RIVIERE, Gil		X
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X	
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X	
FEVELLA, Kurt	X	
TOTAL	11	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
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