

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 337

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Technology, to which was referred S.B. No. 337 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to increase the available methods of public participation in the legislative process by:

- (1) Establishing a remote legislative access program to enable Hawaii residents to participate remotely in legislative proceedings; and
- (2) Appropriating funds to establish the program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services; Office of the Mayor of the County of Hawai'i; Democratic Party of Hawai'i; LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; Na Kupuna Moku O Keawe; Full Life; Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; Hawaii Alliance for Progressive Action; HCC Legislative Committee; Disability and Communication Access Board; and eighteen individuals.

Your Committee finds that the public plays an important role in the legislative process through participating as in-person



testifiers. Currently, the opportunity to provide in-person testimony for many individuals is out of reach either because of financial constraints, physical limitations, or geographic barriers. Therefore, your Committee finds that investment in a remote legislative access program is necessary to allow participation of all Hawaii residents in the legislative process.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 337 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

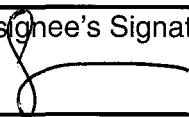


JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirtieth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
<i>SB 337</i>	<i>TEC, WAM</i>	<i>Jan 31, 2019</i>		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (C)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)				✓
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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