

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 12, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1153  
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 Legislative Management, to which was referred H.B. No. 1153 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REMOTE TESTIMONY IN LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve citizen participation in and expand public access to the legislative process by requiring each house of the Legislature to establish, by rule, procedures for the public to present oral testimony through remote testimony at legislative committee hearings and to appropriate funds for this purpose.

The Disability and Communication Access Board; Mayor of the County of Hawai'i; Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii; Democratic Party of Hawai'i; and an individual testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2022, to facilitate further discussion; and

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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Legislative Management that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1153, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1153, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Legislative  
Management,



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TY J.K. CULLEN, Chair



