

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

470

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1514
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 H.B. No. 1514 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend campaign finance laws by:

- (1) Replacing the option for a taxpayer to indicate on an income tax form a \$3 contribution to the Hawaii Election Campaign Fund (Fund) with an option for a taxpayer to voluntarily apply any amount to the Fund; and
- (2) Amending provisions relating to the ability of publicly-funded candidates to receive and expend campaign funds.

The Libertarian Party of Hawaii and Common Cause Hawaii supported this measure. The Campaign Spending Commission and two concerned individuals opposed this measure. The Department of Taxation and League of Women Voters of Hawaii provided comments.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that a taxpayer may make up to a \$20 voluntary contribution to the Fund on income tax forms;
- (2) Removing the repeal of the income check-off authorization to designate a portion of existing tax liability to be paid to the Fund; and
- (3) 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 H.B. No. 1514, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1514, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

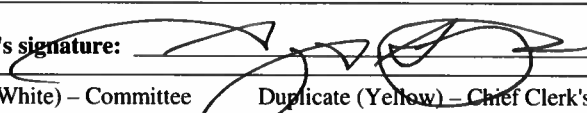
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

| Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1514 | Committee Referral: Jud. FIN | Date: 2/4/19 | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> 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 | / | | | |
| 4. CREAGAN, Richard P. | / | | | |
| 5. LOWEN, Nicole E. | / | | | |
| 6. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. | / | | | |
| 7. MORIKAWA, Dee | / | | | |
| 8. SAY, Calvin K.Y. | | | | / |
| 9. TAKAYAMA, Gregg | / | | | |
| 10. YAMANE, Ryan I. | / | | | |
| 11. THIELEN, Cynthia | | | | / |
| TOTAL (11) | 9 | | | 2 |
| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature:  | | | | |
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