

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3028

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2146

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2146 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to specify that the deadline for a candidate committee to submit a preliminary primary report is ten calendar days before a primary, initial special, or initial nonpartisan election and the deadline for a preliminary general report is ten calendar days before a general, subsequent special, or subsequent nonpartisan election.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Campaign Spending Commission, Common Cause Hawaii, and League of Women Voters Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that under existing law, candidate committees must submit preliminary primary reports and preliminary general reports to the Campaign Spending Commission on time or face a fine; however, the statute is unclear as to which deadlines such fines apply. This measure clarifies that the increased fine for late-filing of preliminary primary and preliminary general reports only applies to reports that are due ten days before the primary or general election.

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. 2146 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

*Karl Rhoads*

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KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Judiciary**  
**JDC**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 2146</b>	Committee Referral: <b>JDC</b>	Date: <b>2/20/2020</b>		
<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
RHOADS, Karl (C)	/			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)	/			
GABBARD, Mike				/
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt				/
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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