STAND. COM. REP. NO.



Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2021

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RE: H.B. No. 671

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Government Reform, to which was referred H.B. No. 671 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CODE OF ETHICS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to, beginning January 1, 2022, prohibit certain state officials and employees from representing certain interests before the State for twelve months after termination from their respective positions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Common Cause Hawaii and eight individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

Your Committee finds that it is in the public interest to keep a distinct wall of separation between lobbyists and the State's elected officials and certain other government employees. Your Committee further finds that this measure promotes good government by prohibiting elected officials, employees of the legislature, and certain other high-ranking state officials from representing other interests before the State or before former colleagues with whom they have served, for twelve months after termination from their respective government positions.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Government Reform that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 671, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 671, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Government Reform,

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ANGUS L.K. McKELVEY, Chair

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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Government Reform**

Bill/Resolution No.: Committee Referral: Date: 2-12-21				
$\theta$ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: $\theta$ Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) $\theta$ Hold $\theta$ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
GVR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	7			
2. WILDBERGER, Tina (VC)	7			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	7			
4. ELI, Stacelynn K.M.				
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5. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
6. MIZUNO, John M.				
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7. WOODSON, Justin H.	August St. Commission (Section 1997)			or <u>intelliggale (</u> 146 och Agracia 1400)
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9. WARD, Gene	~		V	
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The recommendation is:   Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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