

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 19, 2021

RE: H.B. No. 741
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. 741 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ETHICS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the retention
period for certain lobbying records filed with the Hawaii State
Ethics Commission from four years to five years.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the
Hawaii State Ethics Commission.

Your Committee finds that with the advent of cloud storage,
data warehouses, and other modern retention technology, the
ability to keep records in perpetuity is not an undue burden for
the Hawaii State Ethics Commission and will ensure transparency
and historical accuracy.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the Hawaii State Ethics Commission to
permanently retain certain lobbying records, rather than
for a certain period of time; and

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- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion.

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. 741, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 741, 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,



ANGUS K. MCKELVEY, Chair



