

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1342

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2021

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RE: S.B. No. 873

S.D. 1

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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 873, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTESTED CASES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the use of interactive conference technology for contested case hearings held by state agencies.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission, Maunakea Observatories, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that interactive conference technology is already being utilized for public meetings under Hawaii's Sunshine Law. Your Committee believes that allowing contested case hearings to be conducted by interactive conference technology will improve efficiency without compromising effectiveness.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3021, 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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 873, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 873, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

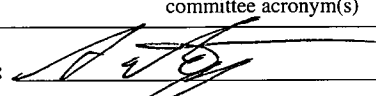
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Judiciary &  
Hawaiian Affairs,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>SB 873 SD 1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>JHA, FIN</b>	Date: <b>3-16-21</b>		
<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)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)	✓			
2. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z. (VC)	✓			
3. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
4. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.				✓
5. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	✓			
6. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
8. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.	✓			
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.	✓			
10. TODD, Chris	✓			
11. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
12. WARD, Gene	✓			
<b>TOTAL (12)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
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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