

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1888  
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2022  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1888, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Increase the minimum amount of aggregated expenditures for electioneering communications in a calendar year from \$1,000 to \$2,000 before the filing of a statement of information would be required;
- (2) Require that disclosures of electioneering communications occur on the date the electioneering communications are publicly distributed;
- (3) Specify the disclosure date for subsequent public distribution of electioneering communications;
- (4) Exempt communications in news stories and editorials published by electronic means from being considered electioneering communications; and



- (5) Repeal the actual expenditures exception from the definition of "electioneering communications".

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

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1888, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

  
SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



