

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 401

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 Finance, to which was referred S.B.  
No. 401, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE  
LAW,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the allowable  
administrative fines for campaign finance violations.  
Specifically, this measure allows the Campaign Spending Commission  
to:

- (1) Fine any noncandidate committee that makes only  
independent expenditures and has either received at  
least one contribution of or spent more than \$10,000 in  
an election period an amount not to exceed:
  - (A) \$5,000 for each occurrence; or
  - (B) Three times the amount of an unlawful contribution  
or expenditure; and
- (2) Order the fine, or any portion thereof, to be paid from  
the personal funds of the officers of the noncandidate  
committee.



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

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 S.B. No. 401, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



