Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 25 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 134

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Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in  $H.B.\ No.\ 134$ ,  $H.D.\ 1$ ,  $S.D.\ 1$ , entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Chief Election Officer to provide a system for the electronic filing of nomination papers;
- (2) Prohibit the Chief Election Officer from charging an additional fee to filers for using the electronic system; and
- (3) Appropriate funds for the Chief Election Officer to provide a system for the electronic filing of nomination papers.

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Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the system for the electronic filing of nomination papers shall be operated and maintained by the Office of Elections and made available to the county clerks;
- (2) Appropriating \$150,000 for the Chief Election Officer to provide a system for the electronic filing of nomination papers;
- (3) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2028; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 134, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 134, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

KARL RHOADS

Chair

DONNA MERCADO KIM

Co-Chair

DAVID A. TARNAS

Co-Chair

LISA KITAGAWA

Co-Chair

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## Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: HB 134, HD 1, SD 1					Date/Time: 4/25/25 2:17 pm				
The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
☐ The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:					House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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