

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 134  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 134, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to facilitate the filing of nomination papers in elections.

Specifically, the measure:

- (1) Requires the Chief Election Officer to provide a system for the electronic filing of nomination papers;
- (2) Prohibits the Chief Election Officer from charging an additional fee to filers for using the electronic system; and
- (3) Appropriates moneys.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Elections and Democratic Party of Hawaii.

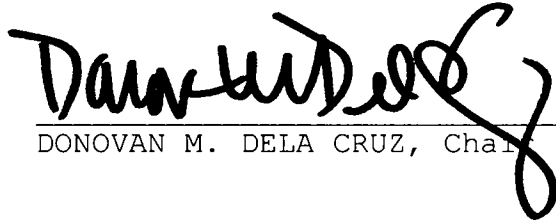
Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Ohana Unity Party/Kingdom of The Hawaiian Islands.



Your Committee finds that a system to electronically submit nomination papers, without the imposition of an additional fee, will accommodate more community members seeking to serve in public offices. Accordingly, your Committee believes that this system will have a positive effect on elections and the democratic process.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 134, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB134 HD1 SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>SDC, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/31/2025</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Pass, unamended</b> 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Pass, with amendments</b> 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hold</b> 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Recommit</b> 2313				
<b>Members</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Aye (WR)</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Excused</b>
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Adopted</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Not Adopted</b>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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