

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 15, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 549
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 549 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to require notice for state board meetings, including emergency agendas, be posted on the central state website, and eliminate the requirement to file the notice in the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

The Office of Information Practices testified in support of this measure. The League of Women Voters of Hawaii supported the intent of this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:


- (1) Requiring counties to post electronic notice of any county board meeting on the appropriate county website;
- (2) Changing its effective date to January 7, 2010, to promote further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, non-substantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 549, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 549, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



