STAND. COM. REP. NO.

649

Honolulu, Hawaii

## MAR 0 1 2013

RE: S.B. No. 229

S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 229 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IMPEACHMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish the causes, manner, and procedures for the removal of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and appointive officers by impeachment.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that article III, section 19, of the Hawaii State Constitution requires the Legislature to establish laws providing the causes, manner, and procedure for the impeachment of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and any appointive officers for whose removal the consent of the Senate is required. However, existing law does not establish an impeachment process. This measure fulfills the Legislature's constitutional requirement.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Specifying that the accused may object to the sufficiency of the articles of impeachment within thirty days of having been served the articles of impeachment or within thirty days of the last publication of the

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articles of impeachment pursuant to the notice requirements for an impeachment hearing;

- (2) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 229, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 229, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

CLAYTON HEE, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary and Labor JDL

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
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The Recommendation is:	,				
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)	·				
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC)					
GABBARD, Mike					
IHARA, Jr., Les					
SLOM, Sam		_			
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