

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1234

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 28, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 853
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 853, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ELECTIONS COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to expand the duties of the Elections Commission to include providing oversight of the Chief Election Officer.

The League of Women Voters of Hawaii and Common Cause Hawaii provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that the Elections Commission conduct a performance evaluation of the Chief Election Officer every six months rather than after each election; and
- (2) Removing the requirement that the Elections Commission submit a written report to the Legislature within 90 days of the certification of election results.

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 S.B. No. 853, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second

SB853 HD1 HSCR JUD HMS 2013-2826



Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 853, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



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| Bill/Resolution No.: SB853, SD1 | | Committee Referral: JUD | Date: 3/14/13 | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | |
| JUD Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. RHOADS, Karl (C) | X | | | |
| 2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC) | X | | | |
| 3. BELATTI, Della Au | X | | | |
| 4. BROWER, Tom | X | | | |
| 5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R. | | | | X |
| 6. CARROLL, Mele | | | | X |
| 7. ITO, Ken | X | | | |
| 8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K. | X | | | |
| 9. LEE, Chris | X | | | |
| 10. TSUJI, Clift | X | | | |
| 11. WOOLEY, Jessica | X | | | |
| 12. MCDERMOTT, Bob | X | | | |
| 13. THIELEN, Cynthia | X | | | |
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| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ | | | | |
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