

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **640**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 05 2015

RE: S.B. No. 657
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 657 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require
legislators to file a supplemental report within ten days of the
conclusion of a special session of the Legislature that covers the
period from the last required reporting date to the conclusion of
that special session.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the
Department of the Attorney General and Campaign Spending
Commission.

Your Committee finds that heightened public interest in
campaign spending issues may arise in the event of a special
session of the Legislature other than a special session convened
by the Senate only for the purpose of judicial confirmations
pursuant to article VI, section 3, of the Hawaii State
Constitution. This measure assists in increasing transparency of
candidate committee contributions by requiring legislators to file
an additional supplemental report to the Campaign Spending
Commission at the conclusion of a special session of the
Legislature.

Your Committee has incorporated suggestions from the
Department of the Attorney General to only amend section

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11-334(a)(4), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). Accordingly, this measure proposes an additional supplementary report to be filed by candidate committees within thirty calendar days after the conclusion of a special session of the full Legislature, but only if the date of conclusion of the special session is more than ninety calendar days before the next supplementary report is otherwise due under current law.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adopting language suggested by the Department of the Attorney General that:
 - (A) Inserts a purpose section to explain the justification of adding an additional reporting requirement for legislators at the conclusion of a special session;
 - (B) Clarifies that the additional supplemental reports required of legislators under this measure apply to special sessions conducted by both houses of the Legislature;
 - (C) Deletes the new section added to chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), and amendments to section 11-333, HRS; and
 - (D) Retains and amends section 11-334(a), HRS, to require legislators to file a supplemental report within thirty days of the conclusion of a special session of the full Legislature if the next regularly scheduled report is due more than ninety calendar days after conclusion of that special session;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of January 7, 2059, 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. 657, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second



Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 657, 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,


GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (C)	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC)	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
GABBARD, Mike				✓
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; margin-left: 100px;">Maile S.L. Shimabukuro</div>				
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