STAND. COM. REP. NO. 36

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 12, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 171 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 171 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend Hawaii's lobbyists law by:

- (1) Removing statutory remnants from when violations of the lobbyist law resulted in criminal penalties; and
- (2) Allowing the State Ethics Commission to assess an administrative fine pursuant to a settlement agreement.

The Hawaii State Ethics Commission supported this measure. One concerned individual opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the restriction on access to transcripts for contested case hearings before the State Ethics Commission;
- (2) Changing the effective date to January 28, 2081, to encourage further discussion; and

(3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 171, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 171, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

CHRIS LEE, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The THIRTIETH Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: +1B 17 1	Committee Referral:	Date:	7/11/2	a
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LEE, Chris (C)				
2. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	(VC)			A COLUMN CONTRACTOR CO
3. BROWER, Tom				
4. CREAGAN, Richard P.				
5. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
6. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				
7. MORIKAWA, Dee				
8. SAY, Calvin K.Y.		The state of the s		
9. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
10. YAMANE, Ryan I.			and the second	
11. THIELEN, Cynthia				
TOTAL (11)	9			2
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. Committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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