

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3187**

Honolulu, Hawaii

JUL 02 2020

RE: H.B. No. 2738
H.D. 1
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2738, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, 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 deter foreign corporate spending and influence on the State's elections.

More specifically, the measure:

- (1) Prohibits foreign nationals and foreign corporations from making independent expenditures;
- (2) Requires every corporation that contributes or expends funds in a State election to file a statement of certification regarding its status as a foreign corporation; and
- (3) Requires noncandidate committees making only independent expenditures to obtain a statement of certification from each top contributor.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the League of Women Voters Hawaii and one individual.



Your Committee finds that this measure will help preserve Hawaii's democratic self-governance by protecting the integrity of the State's elections from foreign corporate influence.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Making the measure effective upon its approval; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2738, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2738, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB2738, HD1, SD1	Committee Referral: JDC, WAM	Date: 7/2/20		
<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><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X			
HARIMOTO, Breene				
INOUE, Lorraine R.	X			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X			
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	12			
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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