STAND. COM. REP. NO. 168

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 1 2019

RE: S.B. No. 105

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 105 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JURY DUTY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that jurors are entitled to reimbursement for reasonable transportation costs to and from the court, including rail fare, bicycle rental, or taxi costs or other hired car services up to a specified amount.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i.

Your Committee finds that most citizens of Hawaii who are at least eighteen years old are eligible to be summoned to serve on a jury. Your Committee further finds that the costs associated with service on a jury, including the cost of traveling to and from the courthouse, can be a burden to some jurors. This measure clarifies that the juror travel expenses eligible for reimbursement are not limited to a flat rate per mile travelled or bus fare.

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. 105

and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair

## The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary JDC

Bill / Resolution No.:* Committee Referral: Date: 30C, WAM 2/1/19				
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is:  Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
2312 2 Members	Aye /	Aye (WR)	Nay	2313 Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)	7,40	7190 (7711)	IVay	LXCGCCG
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)	V		<del></del>	
GABBARD, Mike				V
KIM, Donna Mercado	V		-	
FEVELLA, Kurt	<b>V</b>			
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TOTAL	4		4	
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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\*Only one measure per Record of Votes