STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2428

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 0 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2139

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 2139 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend filing deadlines to conform the timing of the filling a vacant state senate seat with the recently changed dates of primary elections.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Elections.

Your Committee finds that without conforming the filing deadlines, a candidate who has already filed for one office may not be able to withdraw their application in order to apply for a special election to fill a vacant senate seat, as the current amount of time is limited to one day.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2139 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Government Operations,

The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Government Operations GVO

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:	
562139	GVO, JDC 01/28/2020				
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					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
THIELEN, Laura H. (C)		V			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)					
BAKER, Rosalyn H.		V/			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		\ /			
FEVELLA, Kurt		<u> </u>			
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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