STAND. COM. REP. NO.



Honolulu, Hawaii

## FEB 0 8 2021

RE: S.B. No. 400

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 400 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that increased fines may apply if a candidate committee or noncandidate committee fails to timely file the preliminary primary or preliminary general report due ten days before the primary or general election.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Campaign Spending Commission, Common Cause Hawaii, and seven individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Campaign Spending Commission requires candidate and noncandidate committees to file a series of reports prior to an election. Your Committee further finds that the language establishing these reporting requirements is periodically in need of clarifying updates as the requirements are refined and amended. This measure clarifies that increased fines may apply if a committee fails to timely file certain reports.

Your Committee has amended this measure by 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 that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 400, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 400, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair

## The Senate Thirty-First Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary JDC

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:	
5B 400	JDC			2/2/2021	
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
RHOADS, Karl (C)		<b>\</b>			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)					
ACASIO, Laura					
GABBARD, Mike		<b>/</b>			
KIM, Donna Mercado		<b>/</b>			
LEE, Chris					
FEVELLA, Kurt		<b>\</b>			
TOTAL		7	0	0	0
Recommendation:  Adopted			Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Lal Mhash					
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