## STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1469

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 3 0 2021

RE: S.R. No. 115 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.R. No. 115 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS PASS A LAW THAT CRIMINALIZES ANY ACT BY A CURRENT OR FORMER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, MILITARY PERSONNEL, OR POLITICIAN THAT IS CONTRARY TO THEIR OATH TO UPHOLD THE CONSTITUTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request that the United States Congress pass a law that criminalizes any act by a current or former law enforcement officer, military personnel, or politician that is contrary to their oath to uphold the Constitution.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from three individuals.

Your Committee finds that, upon enlistment or taking office, law enforcement, military personnel, and elected officials take an oath to support and defend the Constitution against all enemies, to support and defend the Constitution of the United States, and to perform the duties of the office they are about to enter. Your Committee further finds that, despite the potential for harm resulting from the actions of persons in positions of power who abuse those positions, there are currently no specific criminal offenses nor penalties for the violation by a current or former



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law enforcement officer, military personnel, or politician of their oath to uphold the Constitution.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- Providing for certified copies to be sent to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and Majority Leader of the United States Senate; and
- (2) 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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 115, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 115, S.D. 1.

> 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:	
SR 115	JDC			3/23/2021	
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		Ауе	Aye (WF	R) Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)		✓			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)					
ACASIO, Laura		V			
GABBARD, Mike		$\checkmark$			
KIM, Donna Mercado		V	-		
LEE, Chris	·	V		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
FEVELLA, Kurt					
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Recommendation:					
Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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