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I'm not sure this will fall within your kuleana, but one component of the legislative process that needs to be addressed is the vote of "Yes with reservations." Perhaps for mid-session, mid-discussion, early votes it would be acceptable. But for the final vote of both the House and the Senate, it should not be allowed as an option. By that point, elected officials need to be either for or against the bill. "Yes with reservations" may be a conscience-salving option, but it needs to be eliminated. While it does provide a bit of cover, I'm certain that most "Yes" votes contain some reservations. A legislator has to live with those, and defend her/his vote at election time.

Aloha,

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