

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1631

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 29

, 2023

RE: S.B. No. 9
S.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 9, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BOARDS OF REGISTRATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require members of each board of registration be a registered voter in the respective county of the board to which the member is appointed and remain a registered voter in that county for their term of office; and
- (2) Establish methods for determining and verifying a board member's political party membership.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the League of Women Voters of Hawaii and one individual.

Your Committee finds that board of registration volunteers play an important role in maintaining election integrity by reviewing and deciding appeals that arise from a voter challenge or a clerk's decision regarding voter registration. Your Committee further finds that establishing a method for determining and verifying a board member's party affiliation will ensure each board of registration avoids overt bias and maintains the ability

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to make fair decisions concerning voter appeals and a clerk's decision.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 9, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Thirty-second Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: SB9, SD1	Committee Referral: JHA	Date: 3/17/2023		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)	/			
2. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (VC)	/			
3. GANADEN, Sonny	/			
4. HOLT, Daniel				/
5. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.				/
6. ICHIYAMA, Linda	/			
7. ILAGAN, Greggor				/
8. KONG, Sam Satoru	/			
9. MIZUNO, John M.	/			
10. SOUZA, Kanani	/			
TOTAL (10)	7	-	-	3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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