STAND. COM. REP. NO. 376 -24

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1881

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1881 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE FINES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to update the maximum administrative fines allowed for violations of chapters relating to standards of conduct and lobbyists.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i State Ethics Commission.

Your Committee finds that in recent years, instances of ethical violations underscore the need for a more robust deterrent to dissuade individuals from engaging in activities that compromise public trust. Your Committee further finds that increasing the maximum administrative fine for violations of chapters relating to standards of conduct and lobbyists would proactively discourage unethical behavior.

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 H.B. No. 1881 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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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.: | Committee Referral: | Date | 2-7-24 | |
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| ☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold 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 TAKANAMA Cuara (NC) | | | | |
| 2. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (VC) | | | | |
| 3. EVSLIN, Luke A. | | | | |
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| 4. GANADEN, Sonny | | | | |
| 5. HOLT, Daniel | | | | |
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| 6. ICHIYAMA, Linda | | | | |
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| 7. ILAGAN, Greggor | | | | |
| 8. KONG, Sam Satoru | | | | |
| 6. KONG, Sam Satoru | | | | |
| 9. MIYAKE, Tyson K. | | | | |
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| 10. SOUZA, Kanani | | | | |
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| TOTAL (10) | 9 | _ | _ | l |
| The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: | | | | |
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