

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 , 2025

RE: H.R. No. 65

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.R. No. 65 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE ETHICS COMMISSION OF EACH COUNTY TO ADOPT STANDARDS SIMILAR TO THAT APPLICABLE TO STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND OFFICERS AS ADOPTED AND ENFORCED BY THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is that the ethics commission of each county are urged to adopt standards that are applicable to state elected officials and officers as adopted and enforced by the State Ethics Commission.

Your committee received testimony in support for this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that adopting standards similar to those enforced by the State Ethics Commission will promote transparency, accountability, and ethical conduct at the county level. Ensuring consistent ethical guidelines across state and county levels strengthens public trust and fosters responsible governance by elected officials and officers.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this

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report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 65 and recommends its adoption.

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



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



