

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2705**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 29 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2898
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2898 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AGREEMENT AMONG THE STATES
TO ELECT THE PRESIDENT BY NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to add a new section to the
Hawaii Revised Statutes to allow member states to determine the
winner of a presidential election by national popular vote.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from National Popular Vote; The Center for Voting and Democracy;
and Capitol Consultants, LLC.

The Office of Elections submitted comments on this measure.

Your Committee finds that this measure would guarantee the
presidency and vice presidency to the candidates that receive the
most popular votes in all fifty states and the District of
Columbia. Your Committee further finds that there is support for
the national popular vote both in Hawaii and throughout other
jurisdictions.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical,
nonsubstantive changes.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2898, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2898, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Labor,



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary and Labor
JDL

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2898	Committee Referral: JDL	Date: 2/6/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TANIGUCHI, BRIAN T. (C)	/			
HEE, Clayton (VC)	/			
GABBARD, Mike	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				/
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
SLOM, Sam		XXX CH	/	
TOTAL	4		1	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes