

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1614

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 30, 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1957
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 1957, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CODE OF ETHICS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to require public disclosure of the financial interests of members of certain boards and commissions to promote greater public transparency and accountability.

Your Committee received testimony in favor of this bill from the Hawaii State Ethics Commission and The League of Women Voters of Hawaii. The Board of Trustees of the Employees' Retirement System and the Hawaii Community Development Authority submitted testimony in opposition to this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding the members of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii to the list of board and commission members who will be required to publicly disclose financial interests;
- (2) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2112, to promote further discussion; and

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- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1957, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1957, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



TOMMY WATERS, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 1957, SD1, (SSCR 428)		Date: 3/22/07		
Committee Referral: JUD		<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration				
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. WATERS, Tommy (C)	✓			
2. OSHIRO, Blake K. (VC)	✓			
3. CALDWELL, Kirk	✓			
4. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
5. GREEN, Josh, M.D.	✓			
6. ITO, Ken				✓
7. LUKE, Sylvia	✓			
8. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
9. MORITA, Hermina M.				✓
10. SONSON, Alex M.	✓			
11. SOUKI, Joseph M.				✓
12. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
16. PINE, Kymberly Marcos		✓		
17. THIELEN, Cynthia				✓
TOTAL	12	1		4
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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