

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

996

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2013

RE: H.B. No. 358
H.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Technology and the Arts, to which was referred H.B. No. 358, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIDEOCONFERENCING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require both chambers of the Legislature to establish rules to enable the Legislature to receive at legislative committee hearings live oral testimony from neighbor island residents through audio or audiovisual technology;
- (2) Require each chamber to seek out agency sites that have audio or audiovisual capability that could be used for the presentation of live testimony; and
- (3) Appropriate funds to establish audiovisual systems throughout the State to enable neighbor island residents to present oral testimony at legislative committee hearings.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Accounting and General Services, Office of Information Management and Technology, Common Cause Hawaii, Hawaiian Shores Community Association, and nine individuals.



Your Committee finds that traveling to Honolulu from neighbor islands to give testimony to the Legislature in person is often expensive and time consuming. This measure embraces available technology to engage and encourage neighbor island residents to participate in the legislative process.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Technology and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 358, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Technology and the
Arts,




GLENN WAKAI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Technology and the Arts
TEC

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 358, HD1	TEC, WAM	3/19/13		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	/			
GABBARD, Mike	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.				/
SLOM, Sam				/
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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