

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 9, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 179
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 179 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERMANENT ABSENTEE BALLOTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to specify that the forwarding address for absentee ballots to be permanently mailed shall be the mailing address contained in the voter's registration record.

The Office of Elections; Office of the County Clerk, County of Kauai; Office of the County Clerk, County of Maui; and The League of Women Voters of Hawaii testified in support of this bill. The Office of the City Clerk, City and County of Honolulu testified in support of this measure and provided comments. An individual testified in opposition to this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by specifying that the forwarding address for absentee ballots to be permanently mailed shall be the in-state mailing address contained in the voter's registration record.

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 H.B. No. 179, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 179, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

HB179 HD1 HSCR JUD HMS 2015-1494



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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

HSCR 67

Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: <p align="center" style="font-size: 1.2em;">HB 179</p>	Committee Referral: <p align="center" style="font-size: 1.2em;">JUD</p>	Date: <p align="center" style="font-size: 1.2em;">1/30/15</p>
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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)

JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. RHOADS, Karl (C)	X			
2. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (VC)	X			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				X
4. BROWER, Tom	X			
5. CACHOLA, Romy M.				X
6. CREAGAN, Richard P.	X			
7. HASHEM, Mark J.	X			
8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	X			
9. LEE, Chris	X			
10. MORIKAWA, Dee	X			
11. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.				X
12. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	X			
13. WOODSON, Justin H.	X			
14. MCDERMOTT, Bob	X			
15. THIELEN, Cynthia				X
TOTAL (15)	11	0	0	4

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
 If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
 committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____

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