

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1346

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 30 2021**

RE: S.C.R. No. 223  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism and Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 223 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO EXAMINE THE USE AND EFFECTS OF TRANSACTION MEDIUM EQUITY, WHICH INCLUDES ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS AND CASH TRANSACTIONS, ON CONSUMERS AND BUSINESSES IN THE STATE OF HAWAII,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request that the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism conduct a study to examine the use and effects of transaction medium equity, which includes electronic transactions and cash transactions, on consumers and businesses in the State.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from Cardtronics. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

Your Committees find that information on the use of electronic and cash transactions in Hawaii should be gathered to help guide future legislation, policy recommendations, and decision-making on issues regarding transaction medium equity and



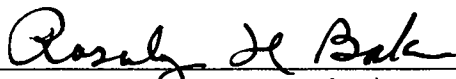
how these forms of payment can either benefit or disadvantage consumers and businesses. Your Committees received testimony from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, which reported that it does not have the expertise or the resources to conduct the study envisioned by this measure. Your Committees further find that the Legislative Reference Bureau has the necessary expertise and experience to conduct this study, and therefore amendments are needed to address this concern.

Accordingly, your Committees have amended this measure by:

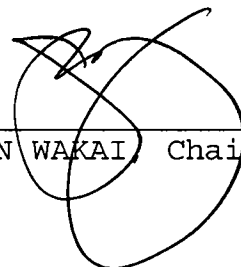
- (1) Requesting that the Legislative Reference Bureau, instead of the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, conduct a study to examine the use and effects of transaction medium equity, which includes electronic transactions and cash transactions, on consumers and businesses in the State of Hawaii;
- (2) Amending its title in accordance with its amended purpose; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism and Commerce and Consumer Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 223, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 223, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Energy, Economic  
Development, and Tourism and  
Commerce and Consumer  
Protection,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



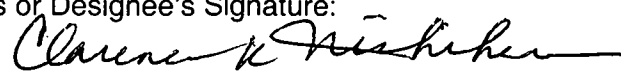
GLENN WAKAI, Chair





The Senate  
Thirty-First Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection**  
**CPN**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SCR 223	EET / CPN	03.25.2021		
<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
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
CHANG, Stanley (VC)	/			
MISALUCHA, Bennette E.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt				/
<b>TOTAL</b>	6	-	-	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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