

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **450**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 2017

RE: S.B. No. 834

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Economic Development, Tourism, and
Technology and Government Operations, to which was referred S.B.
No. 834 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIDEOCONFERENCING,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require that both chambers of the Legislature adopt
rules to establish procedures to permit residents to
present testimony through audiovisual technology; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to establish such audiovisual
technology throughout the State.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Health, Hawaii Government Employees
Association, Common Cause Hawaii, Pele Lani Farm LLC, Life of the
Land, Ulupono Initiative, Progressive Democrats of Hawaii, and
thirty-five individuals. Your Committees received comments on
this measure from the Disability and Communication Access Board
and two individuals.

Your Committees find that it is often a severe financial and
geographic hardship for neighbor island residents to actively
participate in the legislative process. Your Committees further
find that this measure is a necessary first step toward using



remote testimony technology to allow more residents of the State to participate and have their voices heard.

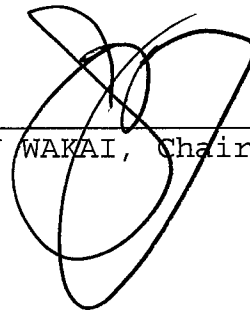
Your Committees have amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology and Government Operations that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 834, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 834, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Economic
Development, Tourism, and
Technology and Government
Operations,



DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



GLENN WAKAI, Chair



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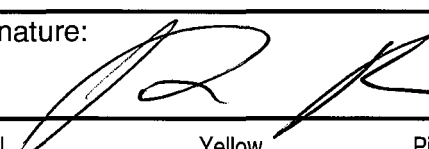
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The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.				✓
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.				✓
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	X			
RUDERMAN, Russell E. (VC)	X			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	X			
RHOADS, Karl				X
TOKUDA, Jill N.				X
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