

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1614

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 05 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1909
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
H.B. No. 1909, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STANDARDS OF CONDUCT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish legislative
standards of conduct committees to enforce the Legislature's
standards of conduct.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the intent of
this measure from the League of Women Voters of Hawaii. The
Hawaii State Ethics Commission commented on this measure.

Your Committee finds that public officials are rightfully
held to high standards of conduct, and that it is important to
impose stringent requirements to enhance public trust.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by
deleting its contents and:

- (1) Adding a new section within chapter 78, HRS, Public
Service, to require all elected officials to submit to
testing for illegal drugs;
- (2) Adding a new section in chapter 84, HRS, entitled
"employment of spouses; restrictions" with language
derived from federal law governing executive branch




employees' dealings with relatives pursuant to 5 U.S.C. section 3110;

- (3) Adding a new section to chapter 97, HRS, entitled "spouses of legislators; lobbying restricted" patterned after section 113 of United States Senate Bill 1, the proposed Legislative Transparency and Accountability Act of 2007, regarding prohibition against official contact with the spouse or immediate family member of a member of the United States Senate who is a registered lobbyist; and
- (4) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2007.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1909, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1909, HD1, SD1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary and Labor
JDL

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1909 HD1	JDL	4/4/07		
<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
HEE, Clayton (C)	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
GABBARD, Mike	/			
TOTAL	5			
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
Russell S. Kohl				
Distribution:				
Original	Yellow	Pink		
File with Committee Report	Clerk's Office	Drafting Agency		

*Only one measure per Record of Votes