STAND. COM. REP. NO. 350

Honolulu, Hawaii

## APR 0 4 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1474 H.D. 2 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred H.B. No. 1474, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish the designation of kiwila pono for employers who permit employees to be absent with pay on election day to work at a polling place and for employees who participate as election day workers.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Elections.

Your Committee finds that the Office of Elections and the county clerks recruit over 4,600 volunteers for each election to service over 230 polling places, four counting and control centers, and over 100 delivery and collection teams. These volunteers provide vital and indispensable assistance. This measure provides an additional incentive for private employers and their employees to support elections.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1)Clarifying that eligibility for kiwila pono designation is based upon employees' service as election day officials, rather than service or employment on election day at a polling place; and



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(2) Changing the effective date to January 7, 2059, to encourage further discussion.

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. 1474, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1474, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

ADD S.C. Kuth GILBERT S.C. KEITH ARAN, Chair



## The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary and Labor JDL

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| HB 1474 HDZ  | JDL                           |             | 3                       | 3/23/16 |                                       |
| The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.      |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| If so, then the previous decision was to:                                  |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| The Recommendation is:   |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit<br>2312 2311 2310 2313 |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| Members  |                               | Aye         | Aye (WR)                | Nay     | Excused                               |
| KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (C)   |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC)   |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| GABBARD, Mike  |                               | /           |                         |         |                                       |
| KAHELE, Kaiali'i   |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| KIM, Donna Mercado   |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| THIELEN, Laura H.  |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| SLOM, Sam  |                               | /           |                         |         |                                       |
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| Recommendation:  |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature:   |                               |             |                         |         |                                       |
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