STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1557

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 5 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1336

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. 1336 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS BY MORTGAGE BROKERS AND SOLICITORS COMMITTED AGAINST ELDERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide additional sanctions for violations by mortgage brokers and solicitors against elders.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the bill from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs. There was no testimony in opposition.

Your Committee finds that complaints against mortgage brokers have arisen concerning conduct harmful to elderly consumers and is concerned that such conduct, if undeterred, will increase. It has been reported that reverse mortgages have been offered when not appropriate by unlicensed mortgage brokers with the assistance of a mortgage broker. The bill would provide for monetary sanctions in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for each violation in addition to any other fine or penalty.

Your Committee amended the bill by adding a savings clause which is appropriate to preserve rights, remedies, or privileges of pending proceedings.



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. 1336, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1336, S.D. 1.

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

CLAYTO 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 1336	CPH JOL			3-30-07		
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 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye Ay	e (WR)	Nay	Excused	
HEE, Clayton (C)						
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)					<u> </u>	
INOUYE, Lorraine R.			-			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	1					
GABBARD, Mike						
TOTAL		3			2	
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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