STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1161

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 379

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. 379, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WITNESSES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase witness' daily fees from \$20 to \$55 and the per diem paid to witnesses who travel from out of state, and who travel inter-island and stay overnight, from \$110 to \$160 per day to attend court proceedings.

Your Committee received testimony from the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney and the Office of the Public Defender in support of this bill. The Department of Budget and Finance provided comments.

Your Committee amended the bill to change the effective date from January 1, 2050 to "upon approval".

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. 379, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 379, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.



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.:* Commit HB379 HD1 50L	Committee Referral:		Date: 3-12-07	
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	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)				
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)				~
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				V
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				
GABBARD, Mike				
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Closenee & Deshibor				
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