STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2737

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3070

S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2008 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 3070, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONDITIONAL RELEASE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify court procedures on the seventy-two hour hold and extended hold process as it relates to the conditional release of persons originally committed from the Hawaii State Hospital or related facility.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health and the Judiciary.

Your Committee finds that this measure allows the court to conduct a hearing, at or before the expiration of the seventy-two hour period of hospitalization, to determine whether the person would benefit from further hospitalization which may render a revocation of a conditional release unnecessary. The court, if satisfied at the hearing, may order further temporary hospitalization for a period not to exceed ninety days, subject to extension as appropriate, but not to exceed one year. At any time within that one year period, the court may determine that another hearing should be conducted to determine whether the conditions of release should be modified or that the person should be ordered to the custody of the Director of Health to be subject to further proceedings under law for conditional release.

This measure is intended to make explicit in the statute the distinction between a conditional release and a revocation of a conditional release for a period of seventy-two hours. Testimony indicated that this measure will result in decreasing the utilization of bed space at the Hawaii State Hospital by limiting the length of time of a committal pursuant to a conditional release revocation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purpose of clarity.

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 S.B. No. 3070, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3070, S.D. 2.

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

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chail

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
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