STAND. COM. REP. NO.

879

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE:

S.B. No. 702

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 S.B. No. 702 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to permit an owner of a pistol to use any ammunition magazine authorized for use with the pistol by the manufacturer of the pistol and to repeal the prohibition on magazines with a capacity in excess of ten rounds.

Your Committee received testimony from twenty-seven private citizens and from the Hawaii Rifle Association in support of repealing the prohibition of magazines in excess of ten rounds of ammunition. Representatives from the Honolulu Police Department and the Attorney General's Office testified against repealing the prohibition.

In light of this finding, your Committee amended the purpose of the bill to allow for the owner of a pistol to use any ammunition magazine with a capacity up to fifteen rounds.

Your Committee finds that repealing the ten round prohibition may result in handguns having a magazine capacity of up to thirty rounds on ammunition. In balancing the concern for public safety expressed by the law enforcement agencies and the ability of Hawaii gun sportsmen to compete in national and international competition, your Committee decided to raise the maximum limit of the magazine capacity to fifteen rounds.

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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. 702, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 702, 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,

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CLAYTON HEE, Chair

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:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused	
HEE, Clayton (C)		<u> </u>				
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)						
INOUYE, Lorraine R.						
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.						
GABBARD, Mike	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· ·	***************************************			
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Clarence W Pushikure—						
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