STAND. COM. REP. NO. 451

Honolulu, Hawaii

Fe 715, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 248

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 248 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to repeal the ten round capacity limit on detachable ammunition magazines designed for or capable of use with a pistol.

The bill would also prohibit magazines not authorized for use with the pistol by its manufacturer.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Attorney General and the chiefs of police of the City and County of Honolulu and the County of Hawaii. Testimony in support of the measure was received from the Hawaii Historic Arms Association, the Hawaii Rifle Association, Lessons in Firearm Education, the Mid-Pacific Practical Pistol League, the Puuloa Rifle and Pistol Club, the Rhat Rhat Boyz Gun Club, one business, and numerous private citizens. Two individuals provided comments.

Your Committee finds that while the ban on large capacity ammunition magazines was intended to reduce the lethality of firearm violence, the ban has instead impacted law-abiding citizens, especially those engaged in shooting sports whose competitiveness is diminished by the need to reload. Moreover, the federal government has allowed a similar limitation to expire.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 248 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs,



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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.:  Hg 248	Date:	Date: 2/8/67			
Committee Referral:  PSM , JUD  The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ Pass, with amendments				
☐ Hold	Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration				
PSM Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. EVANS, Cindy (C)					
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	<b>✓</b>	_			
3. LEE, Marilyn B.					
4. LUKE, Sylvia				/	
5. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	<b>/</b>				
6. NAKASONE, Bob	<b>/</b> ,				
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.					
8. SONSON, Alex M.					
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.					
10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓				
11. TAKUMI, Roy M.					
12. FINNEGAN, Lynn				<b>✓</b>	
13. PINE, Kymberly Marcos					
TOTAL	7	2	_	4	
The recommendation is:  Adopted  Not Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)  Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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