STAND. COM. REP. NO. 167

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 535

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2009 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education and Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 535 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit possession of open liquor containers in public housing common areas and on streets and sidewalks.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by two government agencies.

Your Committee finds that Act 34, Session Laws of Hawaii, established the current provisions that no liquor shall be consumed in common areas of public housing projects. However, the police are unable to arrest someone holding a container of beer unless the police observe the person putting the container to their mouth, or unless a witness is willing to testify to that effect. This measure will clarify the prohibition and assist in deterring drinking in common areas of public housing projects, as well as on public highways and sidewalks.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 535 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations.



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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Education and Housing,

NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair

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Record of Votes Committee on Education and Housing EDH

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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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