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Comments:

Good Afternoon and thank you for this opportunity to lend my support for this measure WITH A SUGGESTION. Is there any way you might consider adding an (e) that would refer to domestic violence, ie:

(e) The offense is related to ongoing or past domestic violence for stalking, monitoring and/or harassment of the victim

To give you a glimpse into what a DV victim may go through, I know of a case where the victim fled to her parent's home in another state where she had email access for the first time. The abuser DID NOT HAVE ACCESS to the computer she was using and he did not have access to the victim's parents home yet when they went to court, the abuser produced copies of EVERY email sent AND received by the victim from her parent's house!

As you might imagine, the victim felt violated and while all could agree that what the abuser did was wrong, no one could do anything about it because he'd technically broken no law. HB2147 would change that so please do by supporting this measure!



Written Statement of YUKA NAGASHIMA Executive Director & CEO

High Technology Development Corporation before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Friday, February 3, 2012 2:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of HB 2147 RELATING TO COMPUTER CRIME.

Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Rhoads, and Members of the House Committee on Judiciary:

The High Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) respectfully opposes HB2147, especially Section 1, where unauthorized computer access in the first degree is recategorized as a class A felony.

HTDC views this bill as well as HB1778, HB1788, and HB2027 as unnecessary, and proposed recategorization as disproportional a response to crimes of this level to join the ranks of kidnapping, rape and murder.

Please refer to HTDC's testimonies for HB1778 and HB2027 for a more detailed testimony outlining our reasons, suggestions and concerns.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this bill.