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H.B. No. 587

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Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 587, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to strengthen Hawaii's law protecting family or household members from physical abuse.

Specifically, this measure:

 Amends the Hawaii penal code to include persons in a dating relationship as family or household members when considering the offense of abuse of family or household members;

- (2) Increases the period of separation from twenty-four to forty-eight hours that a police officer is required to order a person to stay away from a family or household member if the police officer has reasonable grounds to believe that a family or household member is in probable danger of further physical abuse or harm being inflicted by the person; and
- (3) Specifies that the forty-eight hour period of separation referred to in paragraph (2) shall be enlarged and extended to 4:30 p.m. on the first day following a weekend or legal holiday if the incident occurs on such a day.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by changing its effective date from July 1, 2050, to upon its approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 587, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 587, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

CLAYTON MEE, Chair

MAILE S.L. SHIMABUKURO, Co-Chair

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

DEREK S.K. KAWAKAMI, Chair

Hawaii State Legislature

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