STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1084

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 1 2013

RE: S.C.R. No. 75 S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 75 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO RELEASE ROGER CHRISTIE ON BAIL PENDING TRIAL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the federal government to release Roger Christie, who has been held in federal detention since July of 2010, pending his trial and subject to bail conditions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Community Alliance on Prisons; Drug Policy Action Group; Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii; Progressive Democrats of Hawaii; Americans for Safe Access, Big Island Chapter; Libertarian Party of Hawaii; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Public Safety and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from four individuals.

Your Committee finds that in July 2010, Roger Christie was arrested and charged with three federal counts of conspiring to manufacture, distribute, and possess marijuana. Your Committee further finds that Mr. Christie has no criminal history of violence. This measure calls upon federal authorities to release Mr. Christie on bail and ensure that Mr. Christie's constitutional rights to due process and a speedy trial are not violated.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 75, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 75, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,

WILL ESPERO, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR 75	Committee Referral: PSM, JDL Date: 3/21/13				
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
ESPERO, Will (C)					
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)					
GALUTERIA, Brickwood					
GREEN, Josh					
SLOM, Sam					
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TOTAL		3			2
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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^{*}Only one measure per Record of Votes