

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2321  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2016  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and  
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2321 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require training  
on domestic violence intervention for state and county employees  
who act as interveners in domestic violence situations.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, Family  
Support Hawaii, Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence,  
American Association of University Women Hawaii, Domestic Violence  
Action Center, Hawaii Women's Coalition, Hawai'i State Democratic  
Women's Caucus, Parents and Children Together, and four  
individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to  
this measure from the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of  
the City and County of Honolulu and Department of the Prosecuting  
Attorney of the County of Maui. Your Committee received comments  
on this measure from the State Fire Council, Fire Department of  
the County of Kaua'i, and Honolulu Emergency Services Department.

Your Committee finds that domestic violence is a serious  
social issue in Hawaii. State and county employees, including law  
enforcement officers, emergency medical services personnel,  
firefighters, and judges, can encounter domestic violence  
situations in the course of their duties. Domestic violence  
situations are often complex, sensitive, and difficult to handle

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effectively. It is appropriate and in the public interest to require state and county employees who may encounter domestic violence situations in the course of carrying out their regular duties to receive training on how to properly intervene in such situations.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the required number of hours of training from fifteen to eight;
- (2) Adding a new section appropriating funds to be expended by the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of providing domestic violence intervention training; and
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2016.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2321, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2321, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Labor and Ways and Means.

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



CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB2321</b>	Committee Referral: <b>PSM, JDL/WAM</b>	Date: <b>2/4/16</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	/	
ESPERO, Will (VC)	/	
BAKER, Rosalyn H.		/
INOUE, Lorraine R.	/	
SLOM, Sam	/	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted</span>		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <span style="float: right;"><i>Will Espero</i></span>		
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