

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1045

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 3, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 669
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 669, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to streamline requirements for communication and collaborative action between the Family Court and the Department of Human Services in proceedings for domestic abuse protective orders.

Specifically, this measure repeals statutory language mandating Departmental participation in all proceedings for a protective order that involve a minor or incapacitated adult. Instead, this measure grants the Family Court discretion to request that the Department provide a report on the safety of a minor child involved in protective order proceedings and excuses the Department from appearing at a hearing if the report is provided in written format.

The Judiciary, DHS, Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, and Domestic Violence Action Center supported this measure.

HB669 HD1 HSCR JUD HMS 2017-2732



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 669, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,



SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 669 HD1	Committee Referral: HHS, JUD	Date: 2/20/17
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (C)	/			
2. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. BROWER, Tom	/			
5. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
6. LEE, Chris	/			
7. MORIKAWA, Dee	/			
8. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	/			
9. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	/			
10. McDERMOTT, Bob				/
11. THIELEN, Cynthia	/			
TOTAL (11)	10			1

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
 If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
 committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 

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