STAND, COM. REP. NO. 212

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 0.9 2018

RF: S.B. No. 2177

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 2177 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTION OF RESTITUTION FOR CRIME VICTIMS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- Create standards and procedures for income withholding for the purpose of enforcing restitution orders; and
- (2) Appropriate monies to the Department of the Attorney General.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Crime Victim Compensation Commission, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Maui, and one individual. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Office of the Public Defender. Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General.

Your Committees find that many victims of crimes in the State have no effective means to collect restitution even if the offender has the ability to make restitution payments. Court-

ordered restitution payments are difficult to recover if an offender chooses not to cooperate with the payment order. This measure will authorize courts to order income withholding for the payment of restitution orders.

Your Committees note the testimony of the Department of the Attorney General that implementation of this measure will necessitate the Department to hire two additional staff and require at least \$180,000 in appropriations.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the required time for the Department of the Attorney General to disburse withheld funds to the victim after receipt of the funds from the employer from five business days to ten business days; and
- (2) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Judiciary and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2177, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2177, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Judiciary and Labor,

JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair

BRIAN T TANICUCHI Chai

## The Senate Twenty-Ninth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary JDC

Bill / Resolution No.:* Committee Referral: Date: 2/1/18							
SB 2177 JDC/LBR, WAM 2/1/18							
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			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	/						
RHOADS, Karl (VC)							
GABBARD, Mike				/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/						
THIELEN, Laura H.							
	,						
TOTAL	4	0	0	1			
Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted							
Chair's or Designee's Signature:							
Distribution:         Original         Yellow         Pink         Goldenrod           File with Committee Report         Clerk's Office         Drafting Agency         Committee File Copy							

\*Only one measure per Record of Votes

## The Senate Twenty-Ninth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Labor LBR

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:			
SB2177	JDC/LBR, WAM			02/01/18			
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 (WF	R) Nay	Excused		
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)		\					
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)							
CHANG, Stanley					V		
IHARA, Jr., Les							
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.		V					
	,			1 1 1 1 1	1 11 11		
	·						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							
					1		
TOTAL		3	O	0	2		
Recommendation:							
Adopted Not Adopted							
Chair's or Designee's Signature:							
Distribution: Original Yellow Pink Goldenrod File with Committee Report Clerk's Office Drafting Agency Committee File Copy							