

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2737

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2020 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2737 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Increase the fireworks display permit fee from \$110 to \$150 and the fine for certain fireworks violations from \$2,000 per violation to \$5,000 per violation;
- (2) Clarify that each aerial device, display firework, or article pyrotechnic having a total weight of twenty-five pounds or less that is illegally imported, transferred, or sold constitutes a separate violation; and
- (3) Increase the penalty for removing or extracting pyrotechnic contents.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that this measure will implement recommendations made by the illegal fireworks task force

established by Act 170, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010. Your Committee finds that raising fees and fines is one means of deterring the use of illegal fireworks, decreasing their supply in the State, and increasing funding for prevention and enforcement efforts that is in the Legislature's control.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2737 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs,

GREGO TAKAYAMA, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2737 Committee PV I	e Referral: イプしり	FIN Date:	1/31/2	020
☐ 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)				
PVM Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (C)				
2. GATES, Cedric Asuega (VC)	•			The second second
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3. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.		w	and the second of the second o	
4. KONG, Sam Satoru				
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5. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
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6. OHNO, Takashi				
7. McDERMOTT, Bob				\checkmark
TOTAL (7)	5			1
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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