STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2904

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 2 7 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2875

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2020 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2875 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MIXED MARTIAL ARTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to allow mixed martial arts promoters to pay fighters in cash.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Your Committee finds that section 440E-7(a)(4), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which only allows mixed martial arts promoters pay fighters in either cashier's or certified checks, is not tailored to the realities of mixed martial arts events. According to testimony received by your Committee, last-minute changes on fight cards are common; and because most events are held on a Saturday, when most financial institutions are closed, promoters are unable to get new checks issued to pay their fighters in a timely manner. Your Committee finds that this measure allows promotors the flexibility to make any necessary changes to a fighter's compensation.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the

intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2875 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

## The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health CPH

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:		Date:		
582875	CPH		2/19/20		
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 (W	R) Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)					
CHANG, Stanley (VC)		V			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.					7
RUDERMAN, Russell E.		V			
THIELEN, Laura H.		V			
WAKAI, Glenn					V
FEVELLA, Kurt					1
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TOTAL		4			3
Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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<sup>\*</sup>Only one measure per Record of Votes