STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 0 4 2019

RE: S.B. No. 733 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 733 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERSISTENT NONSUPPORT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish the felony offense of persistent nonsupport in the first degree when a person knowingly and persistently fails to provide support to a child, spouse, or other dependent to whom the person has a legal obligation of support for five years or longer, or is \$30,000 or more in arrears.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that under existing law, the offense of persistent nonsupport is a misdemeanor and only covers circumstances in which a person knowingly and persistently fails to provide legally-obligated support to a spouse, child, or other dependent. This measure therefore establishes the felony offense of persistent nonsupport in the first degree to cover more egregious situations in which a person knowingly and persistently fails to provide legally-obligated support for five years or longer, or is \$30,000 or more in arrears.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 733, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 733, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Human Services,

RUSSELL E. RUDERMAN, Chair

The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Human Services HMS

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SB 733	HMS, JDC			1/20/19	
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	l) Nay	Excused
RUDERMAN, Russell E. (C)		<i>'</i>			
RHOADS, Karl (VC)		/	-		
IHARA, Jr., Les		/			
RIVIERE, Gil					
FEVELLA, Kurt		/			
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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