1259

Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 2 2 2023

RE: H.B. No. 264

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2023 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 264 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMES AGAINST SPORTS OFFICIALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Make intentionally or knowingly causing bodily injury to a sports official a class C felony; and
- (2) Authorize a court to enjoin the offender from attending any sports event of the type at which the sports official was engaged in the lawful discharge of the sports official's duties.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Honolulu Policy Department, and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General and Office of the Public Defender.

Your Committee finds that there is a shortage of sports officials and although there are several factors responsible for this shortage, harassment by unruly spectators and fans is a major contributing factor, especially when threats to cause bodily harm

and other more serious assaultive conduct are made. This measure provides added protection of the justice system for sports official when threats and bodily harm are made by spectators and fans.

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

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. 264, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 264, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair

The Senate Thirty-Second Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary JDC

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:		Da	Date:	
HB 264	SDC			3/14/23	
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
RHOADS, Karl (C)		V			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)					
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.		V			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.		\			
AWA, Brenton					
·					
				·	
			_		ļ
TOTAL		B	ϕ	l	1
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
Distribution: Original File with Committee Re	on: Original Yellow Pink Goldenrod File with Committee Report Clerk's Office Drafting Agency Committee File C				

^{*}Only one measure per Record of Votes