STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3086

Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 1 4 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2231 H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2231, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish as a goal of the State the increased representation of female law enforcement officers in the State by 2030; and
- (2) Require each law enforcement agency to recruit law enforcement officers from diverse backgrounds.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Law Enforcement, Honolulu Police Department, State of Hawaii Organization of Police Officers, Stonewall Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, ACLU of Hawaii, Rainbow Family 808, and one individual.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that according to the President's Task Force on Twenty-First Century Policing, increasing the diversity

of law enforcement agencies throughout the nation is critical to developing trust between law enforcement agencies and the public. Your Committee further finds that nearly all modern national reports on law enforcement recommend the increased employment of women and minorities in law enforcement. This measure will promote the representation of women officers and increase diversity in law enforcement.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2231, H.D. 1, 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 and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,

GLENN WAKAI, Chair

## The Senate Thirty-Second Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs PSM

	Committee Referral: Date: 3/1/2 \			
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
WAKAI, Glenn (C)				
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	V			
FUKUNAGA, Carol				
RHOADS, Karl				
AWA, Brenton				
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TOTAL	4	Ø	1	Ø
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature				
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