

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2635

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3040

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 S.B. No. 3040 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS REPORTING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend annual reporting requirement for the Department of the Attorney General concerning firearms concealed carry licenses.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Attorney General and Honolulu Police Department.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii Firearms Coalition, Red Letter Industries, and over sixty individuals.

Your Committee finds that current reporting and analysis of demographic information of conceal carry license applicants and licensees include age, gender, and race, which creates potential for unintended biases during the licensure process. Your Committee further finds that extending the date for county police departments to provide gun licensure data to the Department of the Attorney General and removing the deadline for the Department of the Attorney General to publish its annual report will allow for a comprehensive and accurate reporting. This measure will reduce potential bias while maintaining a report that can be utilized by



policy makers, researchers, educators, and the public interested in laws regulating the ownership or use of firearms.

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 S.B. No. 3040 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



