STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2160-26

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 10, 2026

RE: S.B. No. 2575
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2575, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

(1) Change from a misdemeanor to a class C felony the penalty for possessing, controlling, or transferring ownership of any firearm or ammunition by a person who is restrained by court order from contacting, threatening, or physically abusing any person;

(2) Change from a misdemeanor to a class B felony the penalty for carrying a firearm while under the influence of a controlled substance; and

(3) Establish unlawful possession of methamphetamine while carrying a firearm as a class B felony.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Law Enforcement; Mayor of the County of Hawai‘i; Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Maui; Honolulu Police Department; Department of the Prosecuting

Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu; Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Hawai'i; Hawai'i Police Department; Maui Police Department; State of Hawai'i Organization of Police Officers; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Office of the Public Defender; Libertarian Party of Hawaii; and four individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2575, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

CHRIS TODD, Chair

State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Thirty-third Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB2575, SD2, HD1	JHA, FIN	4/7/26

☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to: ☑ Pass, unamended (as is) ☐ Pass, with amendments (HD) ☐ Hold
☐ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TODD, Chris (C)	✓			
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)	✓			
3. HARTSFIELD, Daisy		✓		
4. HUSSEY, Ikaika	✓			
5. KEOHOKAPU-LEE LOY, Sue L.	✓			
6. KITAGAWA, Lisa	✓			
7. KUSCH, Matthias	✓			
8. LEE, Mike	✓			
9. MIYAKE, Tyson K.	✓			
10. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
11. PERRUSO, Amy A.	✓			
12. TEMPLO, Shirley Ann	✓			
13. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
14. ALCOS III, David	✓			
15. GEDEON, Joe	✓			
16. REYES ODA, Julie	✓			
TOTAL (16)	15	1	0	0

The recommendation is: ☑ Adopted ☐ Not Adopted
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____

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