

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

March 5, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 448
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 448, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the multidisciplinary and multiagency review process for domestic violence fatalities to require the review of near-deaths and suicides resulting from intimate partner violence and require the use of information collected from the review process in system reform efforts to reduce fatal and near-fatal outcomes of domestic violence.

The Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, American Association of University Women, Domestic Violence Action Center, Hawaii Women's Coalition, PHOCUSED, Women's Caucus Democratic Party of Hawaii, and two concerned individuals testified in support of the measure. Department of Health and a concerned individual provided comments.

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. 448, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

Karl Rhoads

KARL RHOADS, Chair



